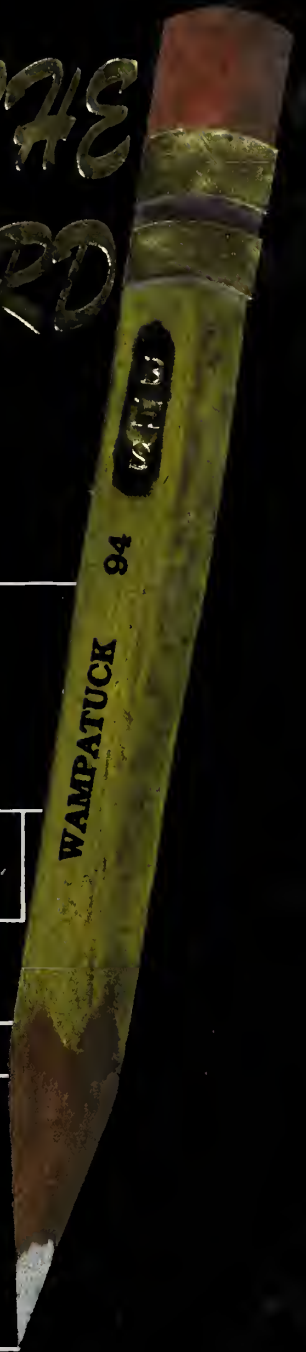
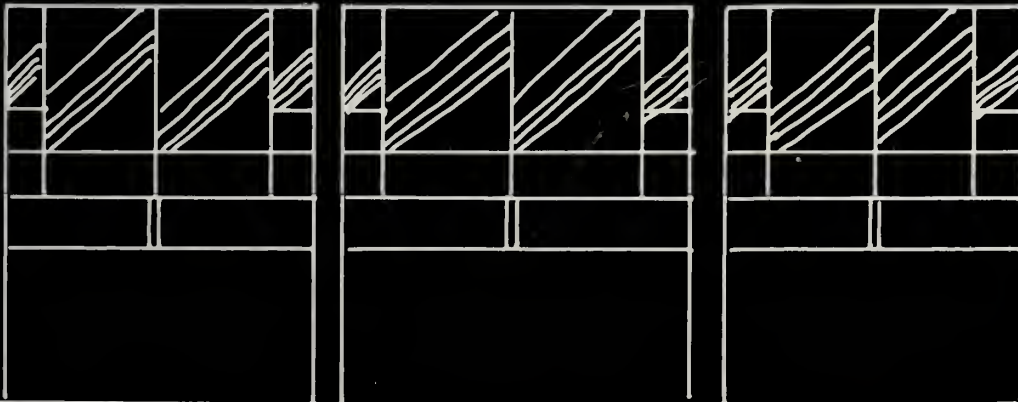


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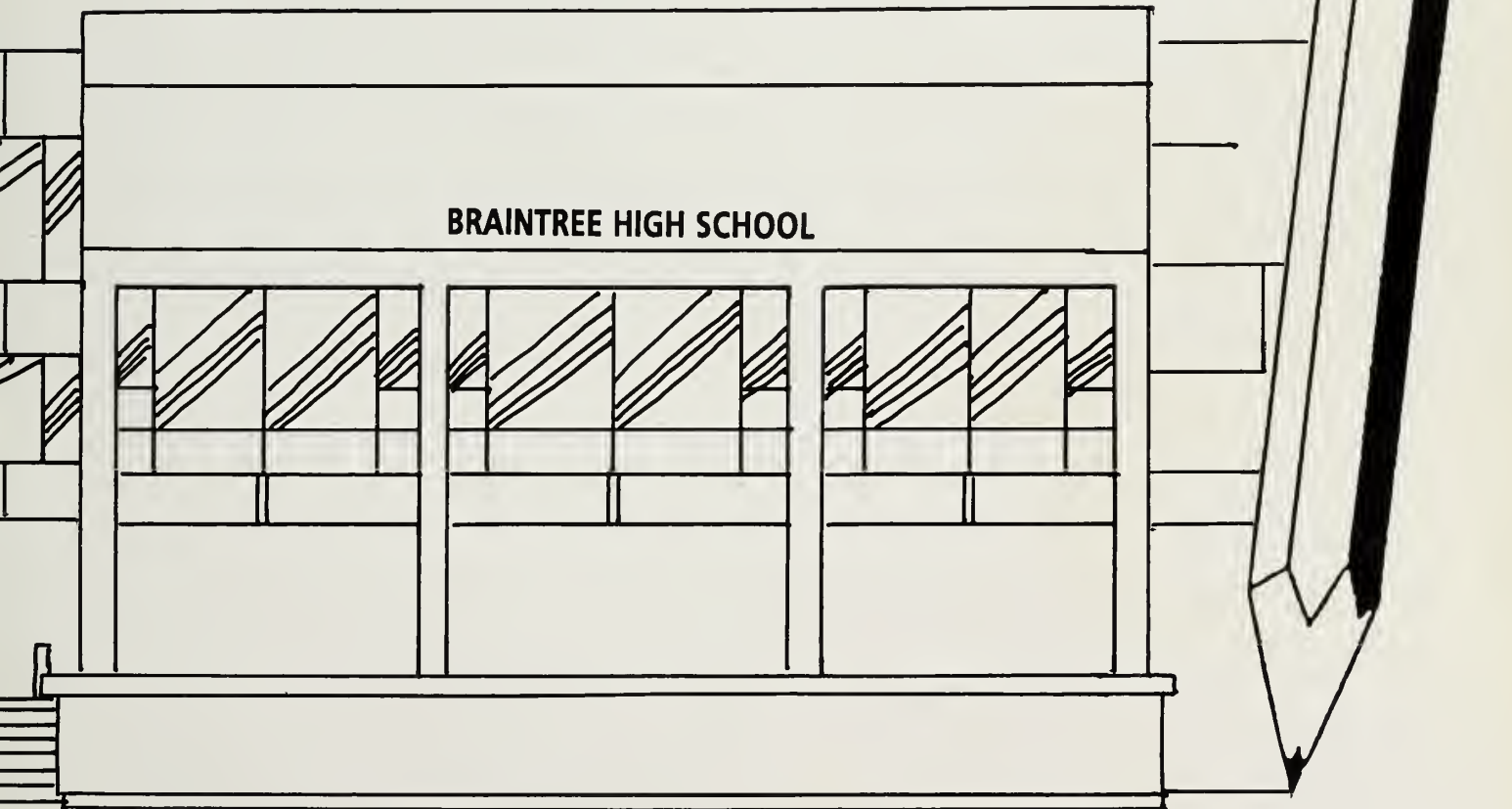
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It's Been Real, Dolly!

As April 7 edged closer and closer, frantic students could be seen racing around school, furiously running lines, tediously practicing dance steps in the pit, and hurriedly constructing and painting huge pieces of scenery. These sights could only mean one thing; the opening night of "Hello Dolly" was near.

After weeks of long rehearsals, singing and dancing, the final countdown to the production of "Hello Dolly" had begun. Junior Sarah Emond asserted, "The last week before the show is very hectic, no one gets any sleep and everyone is really anxious." The weekend before the show, the entire cast and crew had begun construction on the set, working from morning until night, sacrificing their entire weekend for the show. Mostly no one minded the work as they continually reminded themselves that it would all be worth it when the show was a hit. Most cast members realized the importance of having a really great set. Lauren Richenburg stated, "A set can make or break a show, because it sets the tone of the play and really helps the audience to understand what's going on."

Finally, on opening night, the cast was able to truly appreciate all of the hard work, especially as they took their bows to a standing ovation. The play was received extremely well and was a huge hit. Marie Strydom exclaimed, "Wow! I had no idea that the show would be that good! I had no idea we had that much talent at Braintree High!", reflecting opinion of most people who saw the show. Some of the audiences favorite scenes; "The Waiters Gallop" which featured the boys of the show singing, juggling, and dancing their hearts out, the fabulous entrance of Dolly in "Hello Dolly", and the beautiful dance number "Sunday Clothes". Truly "Hello Dolly" was a show that no one would forget.

Although excited and happy about the performance, the cast felt an overwhelming sense of sadness in the cast. This feeling was due to the realization that 3 months of joking, bonding, and friendships would come to an end, and that it would not be felt again until next year, when the whole process begins again. Junior Jason Ryder revealed, "The part of the show that I'll miss most is the friendship among the cast. It is almost the best part about doing the play." This friendship was reflected in the tearfilled finale on the closing night of the show.

This friendship and sense of family keeps people going through the whole grueling process; it makes all of the hard work worthwhile. The thought of the fun had and the success gained made it a little easier to say "Good-bye, Dolly!" *Lindsey McHugh*

Eyeing Dolly Levi wearily is Horace Vandergelder, Dolly's main love interest. Mike did an excellent job playing the role of Horace, the greedy, rich business man. Photo by Mike McHugh.



A match made in Heaven..Theresa Walsh carries Mike Moran off into the sunset after the two were matched up in the musical number "I Put My Hand In". One of the sillier numbers of the show, "I put my Hand In" was one of the audience's favorites. Photo by Mike McHugh.

Cherries and feathers... Lauren Richenburg plays the bubbly role of Minnie Fae, a hat shop worker. Lauren, a first time musical theater guild member, did a wonderful job. Photo by Mike McHugh.



Everyone loves a parade! Ermendarde and Ambrose are captivated by the parade at the end of the first act. Lenore Herget and Tim McShea played the role wonderfully, full of emotion and theatrical talent. Photo by Mike McHugh.

Ready to serve...the waiters in "Hello Dolly" wait to receive orders from their head waiter, Rudolph, played by Chris Higgins. The waiters exhibited not only food service skill, but amazing dancing and singing ability as well. Photo by Mike McHugh.



Well hello, Ameera! Making her stunning entrance in the lead role of Dolly Levi is Ameera Hassan. Ameera dazzled the audience with her fantastic portrayal of Dolly. Much effort was put in on Ameera's part to make the performance spectacular. Photo by Mike McHugh.

► Dancing the night away, Teresa Alfeo, Jill O'Connell, Sue Seely, Efie Kardaris, Tricia McGrath, Mary McGrath, and new-friend Franklin, have a blast at club Waterloo in the Bahamas. Most people who went to the Bahamas made some new friends while dancing at the clubs. *photo by obliging tourist*



▼ Returning from the beach, Amanda Foley, Stephanie Minchello, Val Volpe, Tiffany Ryder, Kerri Norton, Jenn Vitti, Vicky Crisp, Bridget Fay, Collette Sentas and Jackie Akoury get ready for a wild night of dancing and partying. Many happy, tanned faces returned from a great Senior trip. *photo by obliging tourist*



▼ Jen Martino and Karen Brum splash around on the rocks in Cape Cod. Some seniors found paradise close to home. *photo by James Davis*



▲ Being the life of the party, Steve Troup smiles for a picture with friends, Katie Drew, Katie Riley and Adam Umbro. Many students took a boat ride into the beautiful water of the Bahamas. *photo by Rich Lyons*

▼ Enjoying the beautiful atmosphere of their resort in the Bahamas, P.J. McConville, Brian Kelly and Steve Troup take a quick break on a few rocks. The tropical scenery of the Bahamas drew many students to the major resort areas. *photo by Adam Umbro*



▲ Dressing up for a night on the town, Kim Saroll, Katie Riley, Maria Thompson, Katie Drew, Jill Geary, Jen O'Rourke and Bridget Shea, head out to the clubs. The Bahamas were famous for many great dance clubs, making it a popular Senior trip spot.. *photo by Kerri Molloy*

A Walk on the Wild Side

Packing their bags and loading up on sun tan oil, off they went, heading for the sunny tropics. The anxiety of SAT's, college acceptance and nagging parents left many seniors ready to hit the beach. Some popular destinations were Los Cabos, Cancun, and the Bahamas. A few of the braver ones decided to take a walk on the wild side and try something daring like parasailing or jetskiing. Senior Rich Lyons exclaimed, "Parasailing was an unbelievable experience. We got to sail above and see the whole island. It was beautiful."

Lounging on the beach, swimming in the pool, or catching up on sleep missed the night before, were some of the ways many seniors spent the hot and humid days. Senior Jackie Akoury stated, "We spent most of the time lying in the sun getting a tan and just relaxing. It was so good to get away from all the stress."

As the sun set, the party animal in seniors came alive. Many reckless nights included beach parties, dance clubs, and other interesting activities. "I went to the Bahamas and it was the best time! My friends and I went to clubs almost every night, so we didn't get much sleep," exclaimed Steve Troup. Most seniors agreed that their trip was pure paradise.

With beaches, pools, restaurants, clubs, and shops all within walking distance, what more could anyone ask for? "It was so convenient to have shops, restaurants, and clubs so close to the resort. We rolled out of bed and on to the beach every morning," remarked senior P.J. McConville.

Senior Brian Kelly explained, "The Bahamas were great and affordable too. I was afraid my parents might not let me go but they were all for it!" Many students that had jobs paid for most of the trip themselves, while others received the trip as an early graduation present. Senior Sue Sealy exclaimed, "I paid for most of it myself because I have a job at Candy Express. Working there helped me with a lot of expenses."

As refreshed, tanned faces returned to school on Monday, many felt sad that the trip so long awaited was over, but they would always have memories. Senior Kerri Molloy reflected, "I will never forget our senior trip to the Bahamas. Soon we will all go off to college and it was a great chance to be together one last time."

Denise Brown & Jocelyn Stapleton

Goofus and Gallant

Nancy Kerrigan was expected to win the national figure skating title in January until the unexpected happened. After a practice, she was schmacked in the knee, and had to withdraw from the competition. "Why me? Why now?" Tonya Harding, Nancy's fiercest competitor was later linked in connection to the incident along with her ex-husband, Jeff Gillooly, and bodyguard Shawn Eckhardt. Jeff Gillooly has since admitted his role in the planned attack, while Tonya has denied any involvement in the attack. Tonya claimed that she had no prior knowledge and that she only found out after the attack that her husband and bodyguards were involved.

Tonya and Nancy are both excellent skaters. An aspiring skater, Tiffany-Lurlean Bodeane stated, "I wish I could do them their purdy moves on the ice." In the Olympics, Nancy skated a near flawless program. Tonya had a "problem" with her shoelaces. On her first appearance on the ice, she did one jump and burst into tears. In her second program, she did really well. She tripped just once, but got a lot of height on her jumps. A lot of people think the judges may have been swayed by the accusations made on Tonya. "In my opinion, Tonya deserved higher marks. The judges were definately unfair," remarked Peter MacDonald.

Sweet, innocent Nancy. Yeah Right. After gold medalist Oksana Baiul's performance she started crying. At the awards ceremony, having trouble finding the Ukranian national anthem to play for Oksana, Nancy decided to add a little unnecessary comment. "Oh come on, she's just going to start crying again." Then there was her ungracious assesment of the events judging: "I was flawless...Oksana wasn't clean. But it's out of my hands." But the topper was when she blew off the closing ceremonies to attend a Disney Parade, only to have another open mike snag, about the festivities. "This is so corny, this is so dumb." She defended herself saying that she was referring to her Mom's insisting that she wear her silver medal, she said she thought that it would be bragging. Isn't a million dollar contracts with Disney, Revelon, Campbell soup, Reebok, and hosting Saturday Night live enough for this girl?

Her life is certainly nicer than the litany of woes faced by Tonya Harding. She is back at home without so much as a cardboard medal. "I feel bad for Tonya, getting the tar beaten out of ya, has to effect you in some way," shared Coleen Flynn. Enough is enough. Right? Hopefully this article is the last you'll hear of this over publicized scandal. Every body is sick of it.
Kaitlyn MacDonald and Anne Hurlebaus



If it is to be, It's up to me...

The motto of the Special Olympics held at Braintree High School. Those physically challenged kids get together yearly to participate in their very own special event. Students gathered from all of the Braintree schools as well as St. Colettas, schools from Hingham, Charles River, Newton and other local towns. The students took part in events such as the softball throw, the 100m, and the 50m etc. Terry Smith placed a gold in the 100m and the softball throw. "This has been very fun for me. I run on the track team and that has helped out. Since I first started I've worked on getting my time down. I also got to run with the lighted torch in the opening ceremonies," Terry modestly stated. Students worked hard after school at practice. Twice a week the participants met at East Junior High to practice their events for two six week periods in the fall and spring. The competition held at B.H.S. was the New Norfolk Regional Competition. The winners of that competition, including five Braintree athletes, went on to the state meet held at MIT in June. The International competition was held in Connecticut as the championship meet.

The teachers, as well as participants, were very proud of the accomplishments they had achieved. "All of the participants come out winners to me and I am very proud of the progress they've made," commented Mrs. Farley with a grin. The students encouraged each other to work their hardest and do their best. Jocelyn Sulla remarked, "I had a lot of fun and it was an exciting day. I've been in Special Olympics since it first started in Braintree. We cheer each other on and are very proud of one another." Jocelyn placed a fourth in the 100m and a third in the softball throw. Although many different people were proud of those kids, the best sense of accomplishment came from within themselves. *Shelly Lyons*



Whitewatergate?

Who would believe that our own president, Billy Clinton, would be involved in a savings and loan scandal. Well the Treasury department did. The president and his wife's name have been linked by federal investigators to possible criminal behavior in the case of a failed Arkansas savings and loan scandal called Whitewater Gate.

In the course of a three year probe into the affairs of the Madison Guaranty savings and loan, RTC investigators uncovered evidence that the thrift which was owned by James McDougal, a friend and business partner of the Clintons, used it's funds to benefit Arkansas politicians, including Clinton and Arkansas governor Jim Guy Tucker.



The referral White house sources say, addresses the RTC's concern that the Clintons 1984 gubernatorial campaign may have benefitted from illegal campaign contributions channeled through the Madison savings and loan.

Unless pressure was exerted by his aides with his knowledge and intent to squash the investigation, Clinton faces no legal problems from the briefings, legal experts say. Clinton has denied that he had any

involvement with the Watergate scandal.

Clinton under pressure from the public and the media, after several of his top aides resigned, held a press conference on March 24. During the press conference, the president fielded all types of questions, although not until a half hour had passed did one get asked that didn't pertain to the Whitewater Gate Scandal. Critics said that the president answered all questions asked as openly as possible, and he appeared to stand by his story of innocence. Until the hearings conclude it's up to your own opinion whether or not the president and his wife were involved in the activities they are acused of that happened sixteen years ago. *by Anne Hurlebaus and Holly Flynn*

Spring, It's Fantastic!

The winter was a seemingly endless period with everyone in a depressed slump from having to stay inside. "I hated the winter. I want to move to Guam where it is nice and warm. I hated the fact that whenever I wanted to go outdoors there was a blizzard or a twister." exclaimed Lisa Kimball. "There was a time when I loved the winter, sledding, ice skating, and building snow people. It was a good time, a funner time. I hate the winter, t has just gone on too long." explained Liana Lucchesi.

Yet the spring came. The winter snows were no more and people finally got to be at one with nature. "I am so glad that the winter is over because now I can start my jogging again." stated Keri Sherlock.

"I'm glad the winter is over but the kids I baby-sit for are even more glad. Now I can bring them all outside and we won't have to be cooped up indoors." remarked Julie Higgins.

Soon the flowers began to bloom and spring sports finally started. Being able to go outside was a pleasure that was never appreciated as much as it was after

the winter of 1994. A 50 degree day felt like it was 78 degrees after months of nearly below 0 temperatures. Whether you were young or old, if you used to love winter or not, everyone was glad to see the record breaking winter of 1993-1994 come to an end. *Kaitlyn MacDonald*





No Fear

Play hard or don't play at all. Teams all over the world were preparing for the 1994 World Cup soccer tournament. Teams from Italy, Ireland, Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, Greece, Sweden and of course the United States were competing for the title of the best soccer team in the world.

The talent on these teams was unbelievable. "I went to a game in 1991 and was amazed by the ball handling skills of the U.S. team. Their passing and ability to spread the field was excellent," stated Freshman, Kate McAllister. Many students had difficulty getting tickets. Junior, Renee Jackson commented, "I tried to get tickets for a game at Foxboro stadium and was shocked to find out they were all sold out so soon. I was disappointed, but now I know to buy tickets sooner in the future."

A few students were able to get tickets ahead of time. Freshman, Beth King remarked, "My father got tickets through work last June. I love to play soccer, so I was psyched when he brought home the tickets.." Even though soccer was an upcoming sport event to watch in the U.S., tickets were still impossible to get without purchasing in advance or paying a high price by a hustler. Shelly Lyons

Who Wants Some Honey?

Lasers, Lights and giant Boars? That was what you could find at the amazing Pink Floyd concert at the Foxboro Stadium, attended by students this spring.

Pink Floyd awes their fans with their amazing use of lights and lasers. "The lasers and special effects were great. There was smoke and a half dome movie screen for the stage. In the second half another circular screen rolled out and projected holograms, lasers, and clashing psychedelic abstract colors and shapes. They also launched flame throwers into the air, but the best fireworks were saved for the 'planned' encore of 'Run Like Hell'," exclaimed Angela MacDonald. Mike Hanks was also a big Pink Floyd fan. "They suspended two inflated enormous, moving boars with headlight eyes on either side of

the stage."

Other rock bands like Smashing Pumpkins, Pearl Jam and Phish were also touring.

Smashing Pumpkins was at the Civic Center on April 19. The tickets sold out in 7 minutes. "At the Smashing Pumpkins concert, I got many a bruise. One was on my lower back from some large imp with lime green Doc Martens," shared Keri Sherlock.

Pearl Jam was probably the more popular concert out of the ones touring. Many students tried failingly to get tickets. Most were unlucky. But not Julie Higgins, who belongs to the Ten Club, and had the opportunity to buy tickets before everyone else.

Whether you went to Pearl Jam or Pink Floyd, concerts were fun stuff! *Anne Hurlebaus*





PUCKER UP, BUTTERCUP!

The halls were a ghost town as all the students flocked to the pit to witness the first ever Teacher Kiss a Fish Contest, sponsored by the National Honor Society. In the cafeteria, for one week, students donated money to the jar belonging to the teacher they would like to see kiss a fish the most. The lucky winner, Mr. Castonia, the media center librarian, received the honor of having the most money contributed to his jar. As the chosen one, Mr. Castonia received a gift certificate to Nick's Seafood, a package of Pepperidge Farms Goldfish, and a frame so he could be immortalized in this Kodak moment.

On the day the fund raiser came to a close, the students were anxious to see such a memorable scene. Most of the school could be found pushing and shoving each other to get a better view of Mr. Castonia and his new found friend. Many thought that the contest was an interesting idea. Sophomore Noelle Achille stated, "The Kiss A Fish Contest was a great idea, because it got both the students and teachers involved in something fun, but it also helped to raise some money." The only one who might not have enjoyed it, would be of course, Mr. Castonia, because according to rumors Mr. Castonia was expecting a mermaid, so he was somewhat disappointed. *Holly Flynn and Shelly Lyons*

CITIZEN STERN



"Howard Stern is making a mockery of the democracy our country stands for...but I would probably vote for him if I lived in New York someday I could say I voted for Howard Stern for governor." - *Phil Deveau*

"I don't like to think that a guy who is so stupid and obsessed with his vital lower extremities would have the gall to run for governor of New York." - *Teresa Walsh*

"Howard is like Spam. It's all about how you perceive him. If he does win, he's only gonna stay for three days. Which is like Spam because Spam never spoils and Howard can not ruin New York in only three days." - *Ryann Bailey*

"Hopefully he will get only two votes, his vote and his wife's vote. He has brought up a lot of good issues but he doesn't seem serious enough to win." - *Mr. R. R. Walsh*

— JV player, Sophomore Erica Sullivan, uses her softball skills and flexibility to grasp the ball and make the play. Practice and sportsmanship was the key in winning. photo by McGrath

! While cheering their teammates on, members of the varsity team take time to relax. photo by McGrath



! Concentrating on the pitch, Katie McGrath steps into her swing and powers the ball into the air. Photo by McGrath



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VARSITY/JV
 MILTON 7-9/20-17
 NEWTON NORTH 6-1/14-
 DEDHAM 6-5/16-11
 NORWOOD 4-20/3-10
 WALPOLE 3-10/0-15
 NATICK 4-12/20-21
 FRAMINGHAM 7-0/22-8
 WELLESLEY 8-15/14-2
 BROOKLINE 9-4/22-10
 WALPOLE 1-9/0-21
 NORWOOD 0-3/3-11
 NEWTON NORTH 13-14/
 NATICK 8-12/19-18
 FRAMINGHAM 2-7/13-8
 NEEDHAM 2-1/12-7
 BROOKLINE 19-13/25-18
 MILTON 5-11/5-18
 NEEDHAM 5-9/12-7
 V-Wins 6 losses 12 Ties
 JV-Wins 12 Losses 6
FRESH
 MILTON 20-5/22-6
 BROOKLINE 30-8
 NATICK 39-2/24-5
 NORWOOD 4-11
 WALPOLE 14-8
 NEWTON NORTH 13-4
 NEEDHAM 24-10
 FRAMMINGHAM 19-3
 NEWTON NORTH 25-4
 WELLESLEY 23-4
 DEDHAM 20-5
 WINS 12 LOSSES 1

JV Team: Top row, Jackie Alexander, Trisha Mosesso, Kate McDonough, Stacey Sampson, Danielle Hutchins, Katie Delucca, Jill Watts, Laura Romano, Angela Nuss, Eileen Cusack, Coach Mike Goldman; Bottom Row, L to R; Nicole Rothgeg, Angela Defrancesco, Elizabeth Mawn, Michelle Watts, Lynn Connor, Christine Sampson, Erica Sullivan
 Photo by McGrath



Christine Sampson
 Junior

"Christine played more different positions than any other player on the team. She was always upbeat and a positive influence on her teammates." Coach Goldman
 photo by McGrath

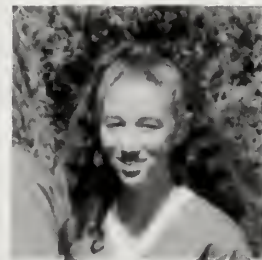


Freshman Team: Coach C. Driscoll Linnea Anderson, Mikalah Carlson, Katie Dirocco, Jody Gardener, Debi Giacomozzi, Kelly Hatch, Tracey Hull, Niera Marshall, Danika Muise, Kristine Norrman, Meghan O'Connell, Melissa Parlee, Diana Randolph, Kelly Roche, Teri Sampson, Kristen Spaulding, Krista Sweeney
 Photo by McGrath



Niera Marshall
 Freshman

"Niera was a talented player with a good attitude toward her teammates and the game. She will be a great addition to the Varsity Team in the future." - Coach Driscoll



Hitting Hard



Jen Early
Senior
Captain
"an outstanding captain, overcoming injuries to become a talented athlete. She'll be missed next year." - Coach Connolly McGrath

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After a week and a half of tryouts, varsity softball coach, Ms. Maureen Connolly, junior varsity coach, Mr. Mike Goldman, and Coach C. Driscoll of the Freshman Team made their final decisions and difficult cuts to discover their best softball players. With all the team rosters posted, the girls were off to a brand new star.

Each team practiced hard everyday for about one and a half to two hours to overcome undefeated teams in the past. Practices consisted of drills such as hitting (off the machine), catching, running, and other exercises. "Practicing hard and giving the best we can makes a lot of difference in the way we play and how well we play," stated junior Janice Giblin, who plays first base on the varsity team.

There are some strategies that help the teams do well out on the field. For instance, junior Katie McGrath, a pitcher on

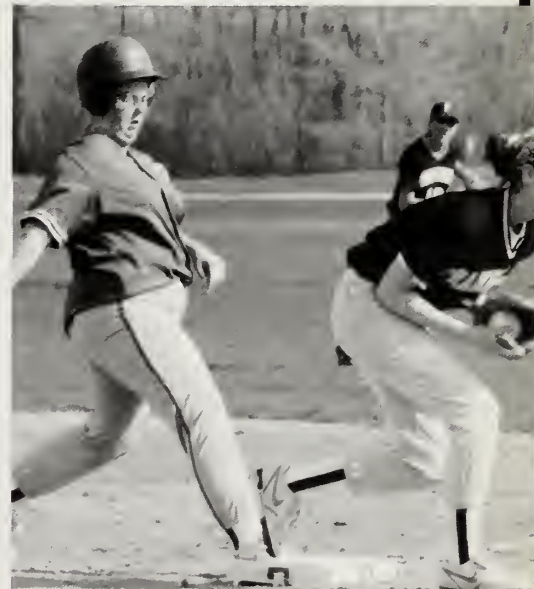
the varsity team revealed, "Working together, having team spirit, and showing enthusiasm really boosts our chances of winning." Everyone agreed with this statement. This strategy was the key in this team's success.

The freshman team, although in their first year of playing softball of the high school level, had an outstanding season. "I am proud of our team for doing so well, and I'm glad I decided to play because we had fun playing and winning," added freshman Melissa Parlee.

The J.V. and Varsity Teams had a good season also. "I had so much fun, especially when we won. Although we did lose some, we were still able to do our best and have fun," explained junior and member of the JV team, Elizabeth Mawn. Team spirit, outstanding effort, and hard work helped all three teams do well and have fun. *Katie Durfee*



Varsity Team: Top Row, Leah McGuinn, Maryellen Porter, Kelley Barrows, Lisa Kimball, Andrea Parlee, Jordan Grow, Katie McGrath, Janice Giblin, Karen O'Brien, Coach Maureen Connolly; Bottom Row, L to R: Malissa Hunt, Tricia McGrath, Val Vopie, Jen Early, Erin Trainor, Alexis Troup Photo by McGrath



▲ Stepping back to the bag, Maryellen Porter strides to prevent the out. Hustle and concentration were a big part of winning ball games. photo by McGrath

→ Coming down the home stretch, Janice Giblin of the varsity team tries not to concentrate on where the ball was hit, but where she is going to take the lead photo by McGrath

VARSITY AND J.V.
WALPOLE 7-1, 0-1
DEDHAM 10-5, 13-1
NEWTON NO. 9-3, 4-3
DEDHAM 15-4, 10-1
MILTON 5-9, 4-3
NATICK 1-5, 7-4
FRAMINGHAM 7-9, 12-4
WELLESLEY 14-9, 6-10
BROOKLINE 16-1, 11-0
WALPOLE 3-9, 8-9
NEWTON NO. 8-14, 10-8
NORWOOD 12-6, 9-2
NATICK 15-5, 8-2
FRAMINGHAM 6-0, 7-4
NEEDHAM 8-5, 0-1
BROOKLINE 11-1, 6-5
MILTON 2-5, 3-6
NORWOOD 4-12
VARSITY W 12 L 8
JV W 12 L 7
FRESHMAN
NEWTON NO. 16-2
MILTON 15-5
WELLESLEY 10-4
DEDHAM 7-10
BROOKLINE 10-2
NATICK 16-1
NORWOOD 3-12
WALPOLE 0-7
NEWTON NO. 1-0
NEEDHAM 0-2
FRAMINGHAM 9-8
NATICK 16-3
MILTON 6-2
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Back Row: Bob Lauria, Todd Gouthro, Anthony Egan, Paul Buker, Ed Bynarowicz, Matt Toland, Bill Jewett, Coach Fran Roberts Front Row: Bill Clang, Dave Powers, Jay Covitz, Whalen Chin, Paul O'Keefe, Joe Pendagast, Nick Dunn, Mike Sargent Photo by McGrath



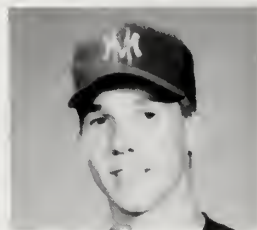
Nick Dunn
Freshman
"Nick has Varsity potential for next season. He was the lead off batter and a .285 batting average."
-Coach Fran Roberts.



Back Row: Mark Pazdyk, Bob Kerrisey, Brian Marks, John Daly, Brian Solomini, Sean Faherty, Jeremy Pazdyk, Mike Moran, John Pilgrim, Marty Lynch, Dan O'Neil, Tony Margettis. Photo by McGrath



Marty Lynch
Sophomore
"In my 28 years of coaching, Marty Lynch has won more games than any other pitcher." -Mr. Armstrong



Following through, Chad Gouthro gets a base hit. Chad was one of many good hitters on the team. Photo by McGrath

Firing a pitch, John Jones strikes out a batter. John did a tremendous job pitching for the Varsity team. Photo by McGrath



Fixated on a batter, Nick Dunn fires a pitch to the plate. Reliable starting pitchers were essential to success. Photo by McGrath.



— Hitting the ball with guts, Collin Lynch follows through with his swing which send the ball to the outfield. Photo by McGrath

! Fielding a ball cleanly, Nathan-Collins Jensen gets ready to throw out a batter. Photo by McGrath



Back Row: Coach Laneau, Chad Gouthro, Nathan Jensen, Mike Irving, Tim Williams, Greg Kelley, Alan Sampson, John Jones, Frank Antonelli Front Row: Tom Mochen, Bill Wessman, Brian Laneau, Collin Lynch, Greg Googins, George Jackson, Mike Barbuto Photo by McGrath

The Frosh, J.V., and Varsity baseball teams proved to be:

Learning From Experience

Dominated by seniors, this year's varsity team was destined for success. Following a disappointing season, when the team was plagued with youth and inexperience, this year provided heightened expectation. Led by senior captains Colin Lynch and Greg Googins, the team set its sights on the post-season tournament. A successful start to the season foreshadowed success. With a 7 - 1 whipping of Walpole and a 10 - 5 win over Dedham, they began the season on a high note. Senior Colin Lynch stated, "After the first two wins, everything started locking into place."

The freshmen and J.V. teams were able to learn from the nine seniors on the varsity team. Raw and inexperienced with tough league play, the freshman looked toward the seniors for advice and counsel. Freshman Paul O'Keefe said, "We're willing to listen and learn from them because we will be the varsity in a few years." Overall, the team's experience was a key to their success.

With a balanced attack of speed on the base paths and strong hitting, the varsity team looked good enough to win it all. Senior Mike Irving predicted, "With the speed of Laneau, power of Googins, Lynch, and Jackson, and consistent pitching, we have the ability to take the BSL." Relying on experience, the baseball teams put forth their best effort, leading to a very successful season.

By Chris Higgins and Brendan Kane

The Entire Team



"In the coach's mind, all of the players were MVP's."

-Coach Jim Laneau



WAITING, ANTICIPATING, EXPECTANT, STUNNED

AND THEY'RE OFF

Off with a bang, the boys and girls track team completed their highly competitive season after recovering from many young beginner runners and throwers. Freshman Jamie Petiti commented, "We will have a pretty good season due to a lot of young athletic ability and commitment." Senior Hale Hack also mentioned, "We have a young team mixture with experienced seniors. Personally I am focusing on the new coach of the boys team, Mr. Seibert, and getting familiar with the runners."

The first track meet proved a booming start to the spring season. Both teams had victorious meets, crushing Needham. Personal records from the year or season before were broken and the

nervousness of the first meet was over. Freshman Alison Pagnani revealed, "I'm not sure if I enjoy the competition, I always want to take seconds off my time. Before a competition I get nervous and the other teammates don't help because they're nervous themselves."

The fielding events are big score-pointers in a meet. Ali Curry commented, "I throw the shotput and the javelin, but my goal isn't to get first in the event, just to know that I've done well."

Track and field proved to be an all around exciting sport that had many different events, and attracted many kids. *Lynne Belyea, Beth King, Krista Sweeney.*

▼ Preping for the throw, senior Shawn Connors rests the shotput on his shoulder preparing for the throw of his life. photo by McGrath



▲ It's a bird, it's a plane, it's Stephanie Porter in the midst of her long jump. photo by McGrath

► Round and round they go. As the girls track team started a race, seniors Carolyn Herzog, Jen McIssac and junior Michelle Lang were determined to run away with the race. photo by McGrath



With grace Freshman Jamie Petiti strides over the hurdles. Form was a major part of jumping hurdles. photo by McGrath



As the gun goes off sophomore Meghan Rooney started the race at a very fast pace. photo by McGrath

Leaping to the ground junior Steve Kenny has successfully completed the long jump. photo by McGrath



GIRLS TRACK Back Row : Ast. Coach Mr. Carelli, June Beck, Susan Lydon, Laurie Nelson, Alison Pagnani, Jill Manning, Stephanie Harris, Michelle Lang, Anna Lipinski, Lisa Oppanisets, Stephanie Porter, Larae Junior, Sarah Emond, Sheri Bonaglia, Kristin McDonough, Jessica Fleming, Marisa Papile, Lenore Herget, Carol McIntyre, Beth King, Tara Fallon, Tara Paz, Meghan Lydon, Coach Mr. Chute. **Middle Row:** Gretchen Stevens, Allison Sampson, Uchachi Kalu, Meghan Rooney, Melissa Ruozzi, Katy Young, Teresa Walsh, Sarah Stacey, Cathy Keough, Ali Curry, Lynnie Belyea, Sharon Blaney, Abby Franklin, Jamie Petiti **Front Row:** Jessica Charles, Beth Sarney, Erin Short, Tracey Keefe, Julie Morgan, Capt. Dawn Picewick, Capt. Maryellen McDonough, Carolyn Herzog, Jen McLissac. Photo by McGrath

BOYS TRACK Back Row: Pat Murray, Mike Tricomi, Seth Little, Ted Aveni, Adam McLaughlin, Mike Keogh, Johnathan McSheffery, Mike Cuddy, Mike O'Rourke, Mike Guerriero, Ned Hickey, Jay Magnell, Peter Romano, Paul Alvarado, Terry Smith **Middle Row:** Steve Toland, Chris Banker, John Gilbert, Trevor Grondin, John Campbell, Giuseppe Olivadotti, Steve Tocci, Tony Petreyko, John Haran, Mike Basile, Coach Dick Seibert **Front Row:** Hale Hack, Sean Connors, Ed Gardner, Chris Grugan, Capt. Ben Sigel, Dennis Galvin, Jerry Natale photo by McGrath



Maryellen McDonough
-Senior
Maryellen was the ultimate team player. She was also a four year runner as well as a terrific team leader.

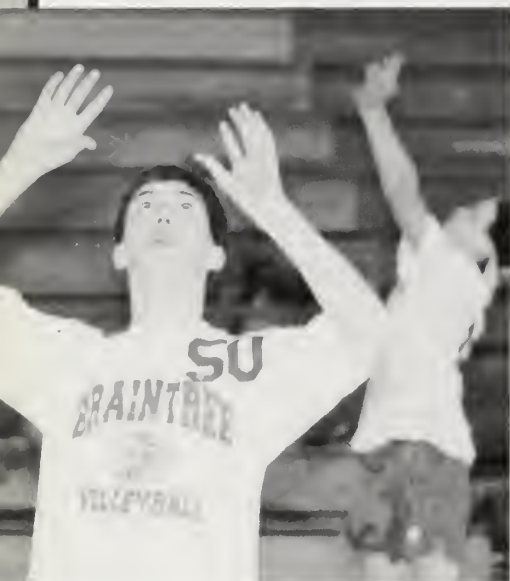


Ben Sigel
-Senior
Ben was a well rounded, unselfish four year runner. Ben had good sportsman ship, and encouraged his teammates.

GIRLS		T R A C K
NEEDHAM 96-40		
NATICK 59-77		
FRAMINGHAM 97-39		
NORWOOD 61-75		
WELLSLEY 112-17		
NEWTON NORTH 50-86		
BROOKLINE No Score		
MILTON 75-61		
Wins 5	Losses 3	
BOYS		
NEEDHAM 76-65		
NATICK 56-89		
FRAMINGHAM 77-67		
NORWOOD 73-71		
WELLSLEY 77-64		
NEWTON NORT 58-83		
BROOKLINE No Score		
MILTON 82-52		
Wins 6	Losses 2	

► Mark Shuster spikes the ball at the opposing team. Colin Burns and Jeffrey Luu were right behind him if help was needed. Defense, as well as offense, was crucial to the volleyball team. photo by McGrath

▼ Jay Sentas gets ready to set the ball for a teammate. Teamwork is essential for success. Players always had to be ready to help each other during a game. Photo by McGrath



Starting Over

What do you get when you put hard work, determination, great coaches and only one returning player together? A rebuilding year.

As the season progressed, the boys volleyball team worked together to strengthen their skills as a team. "We're improving- everyone is playing as a team," remarked sophomore Brian Drew. Junior Mark Shuster, the team captain, was the only returning player. The team was glad to have him, not only as a fellow player, but as a teacher. "Mark is a good player because of three years experience. He really knows how to pass, set and hit," revealed junior Matt Pope.

It was an overall consensus that the coaching staff was exceptional. Being great teachers added amusement to the game. Many players felt the coaches were one of

the best things about playing the sport.

Coaches tried to make sure that all of the players knew the basics of the game. During tryouts, the boys had to run, pass, set and hit. Learning to block was another challenge the boys needed to complete before the final cut.

Many chose this sport because of the passionate competition, others played for pure enjoyment of the game. "I chose to play this sport because I have always liked the game and a few of my friends were trying out, too," cited sophomore Allen Bourgeois.

Although volleyball is a very time consuming sport, many were excited to be part of a team. Often players stayed late to perfect a certain move.

Players got together to make a brighter future out of a rebuilding year. *Elaina Parlee, Meghan McSheffrey*



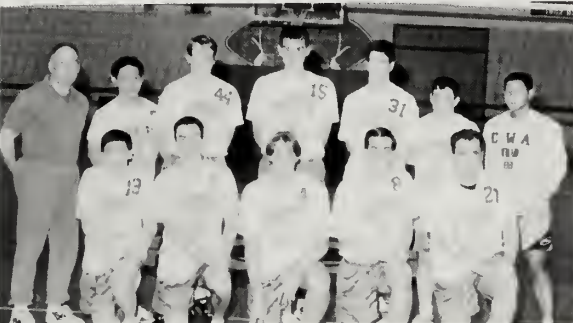
▲ Joe Cunningham perfects a move during practice. Perfect moves were essential for winning the game. Photo by McGrath

Varsity

Back row: Coach Carter, Jeffrey Luu, Colin Burns, Jeff Concannon, Matt Pope, Allen Borgeois, Coach Lee, Front row: Jay Sentas, Tim Vautour, Mark Shuster (captain), Brian Drew, Matt Fallano. Photo by McGrath

JV

Back row: Brian Gerstle, Joe Cunningham, Jeff Concannon, John Fallon, Sean Saniuk, Coach Lee, Front row: Ricky Wong, Mike Grugan, Adam Ruprecht, Dan Bjorkman, Albert Tu. Photo by McGrath



Mark Shuster
Junior



"Mark was a great asset to the team. He made the other players want to go out and win. Mark performed skills well and always gave it his all." -Coach Carter.



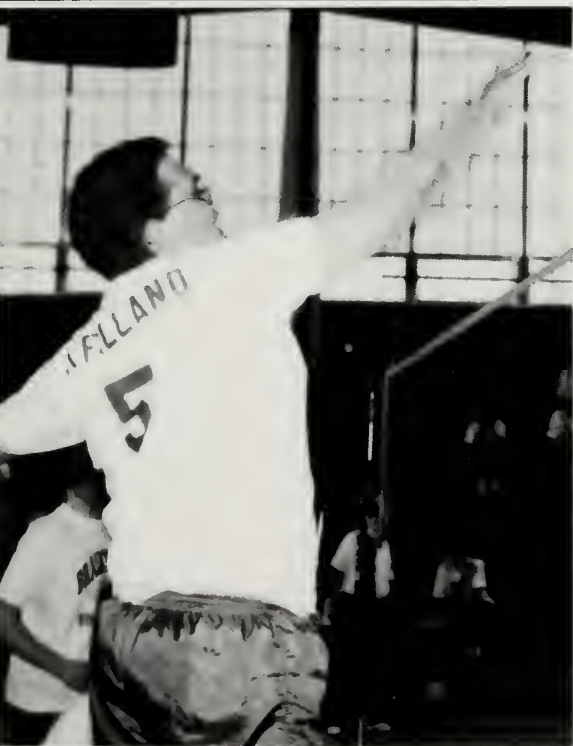
Dan Bjorkman
Freshman



"Dan was a new addition to the team this year. He has excellent skills for a first year player. He had alot of heart and was an excellent member of the team." - Coach Lee



VARSITY		
NEW BEDFORD	1-2	
NEWTON NORTH	0-2	
BROOKLINE	0-2	
WELLESLEY	2-0	
NATICK	0-2	
FRAMINGHAM	0-2	
NEEDHAM	0-2	
NORWOOD	2-0	V
NEWTON NORTH	1-2	O
BROOKLINE	0-2	
WELLESLEY	2-0	
NATICK	2-0	L
FRAMINGHAM	0-2	
NEEDHAM	0-2	L
NORWOOD	1-2	E
BROCTON	0-2	
4 WINS 12 LOSSES		Y
JV		
NEW BEDFORD	0-2	
NEWTON NORTH	0-2	B
BROOKLINE	0-2	
WELLESLEY	2-0	A
NATICK	0-2	
FRAMINGHAM	1-2	L
NEEDHAM	2-1	
NORWOOD	2-0	L
NEWTON NORTH	0-2	
BROOKLINE	1-2	
WELLESLEY	0-2	
NATICK	0-2	
FRAMINGHAM	0-2	
NEEDHAM	2-1	
NORWOOD	2-1	
BROCTON	0-2	
4 WINS 12 LOSSES		



▲ Matt Fallano jumps to send the ball flying over the net. Learning how to jump, set and spike was practiced nearly every day. Photo by McGrath

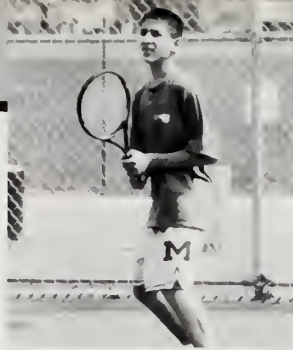


▲ Team captain Mark Shuster hits the ball to junior Matt Pope. By working together the team could always score points. Photo by McGrath



→ Colin Burns runs to set a ball during a game. Timing and concentration were a must for winning. Photo by McGrath

► Waiting anxiously, Omar Raiss prepares for an opponents serve. Omar showed good skills in breaking opponents serves. photo by McGrath



▼ Coach Mahar instructs Katie Wyatt, Margie Sullivan, and Marie Strydom through the fence, on their next match. Proper fundamentals were often key assets. Photo by McGrath



▼ With a crushing stroke, Michelle Lyons breaks an opponent. Breaking an opponent early, made it easier to win. Photo by McGrath



GIRLS

MILTON 2-3
NEWTON NORTH 0-5
DEDHAM 2-3
NATICK 3-2
FRAMINGHAM 0-5
WELLESLEY 0-5
BROOKLINE 0-5
WALPOLE 0-5
NEWTON NORTH 0-5
NORWOOD 0-5
NATICK 2-3
FRAMINGHAM 0-5
NEEDHAM 0-5
BROOKLINE 0-5
MILTON 4-1
ABINGTON 3-2
WINS:3 LOSSES:13

BOYS

MILTON 1-4
NEWTON NORTH 0-5
DEEDHAM 3-2
NATICK 2-3
FRAMINGHAM 3-2
WELLESLEY 1-4
BROOKLINE 1-4
WALPOLE 2-3
NEWTON NORTH 0-5
NORWOOD 1-4
NATICK 1-4
FRAMINGHAM 3-2
NEEDHAM 0-5
BROOKLINE 0-5
MILTON 2-3
WINS:3 LOSSES:13

Front row : Chris Gacicia, James Chang, Srikanth Subramanian Back row : Mr. A. Raiss (coach), P.J. Sulla, Chris Psaros, Omar Raiss photo by McGrath



James Chang



"was a quiet, shy, captain, who led by example, and anchored the first doubles team," explained coach

Raiss. photo by McGrath



FRONT ROW: Sharon Rusconi, Emily Powers, Katie Wyatt, Robin Graycar, Erin Holmes, Colleen Cushing BACK ROW: Kristen Ahern, Vanessa Greene, Kate McAllister, Michelle Lyons, Stephanie D'Ambrosio, Marie Strydom, Lindsey McHugh, Margie Sullivan, Sharon Capobianchi, Barbara Mahar (coach) photo by McGrath



Marie Strydom



"as a first year tennis player, Marie was an unexpected addition to the varsity squad," remarked coach Mahar. photo by McGrath



Swinging low to catch the speeding ball, Dave Albrecht uses accuracy and control to return the ball. Accuracy and control were important skills needed in tennis. photo by McGrath

Serve While Hot

You stand there, breathing deeply of the fresh, cool air and drink in the glittering snow on the fields. Then ... BOINK!, a tennis ball hits you off the head. Raring to go before the snow had melted, many times players could be found invading the sloshy courts. Eventually, the courts became cleared, and the teams were able to begin their season. This was good news for both the boys and girls tennis teams.

The boys tennis team had many new faces this year, including new coach Mr. A. Raiss, and many new players. The team was lead by four year player, captain James Chang who expressed, "Although I am excited that another season is beginning, I am also going to miss competing in matches." Although this year's team plans on having another year of rebuilding, a surprising season is always possible, as the enthused captain replied, "This years team could suprise a few teams with all our hard work hopefully paying off."

Junior Chris Psaros saw tennis as a way to keep in shape for other sports played during the year. "Tennis allows me to be competitive and active for other sports like basketball and golf," remarked Chris.

Junior Dave Albrecht found tennis to be enjoyable as well as a demanding sport. "Even though we practice long and hard, it is well worth it because it is something I look forward to everyday," explained Dave.

New faces bolstered the girls tennis team as junior Colleen Cushing commented, "Even though our team has changed greatly, we still work well together in matches and try our hardest." The girls may not have been an elite team, however they still strived to succeed, junior Stefanie D'Ambrosio cited, "our team may not have been that great, we still practiced long and hard to try and gain the confidence needed to win." As the season heated up, so did their serves. *John Campbell and Chris Jamele*



Concentrating intensely on the game, Vanessa Greene displays her serve. Serves were an important part of the match. photo by McGrath

Firing back a quick shot, Chris Psaros puts away his opponent. Speed and strength were often helpful in tough competition. photo by McGrath

ACADEMICS AWARDS

Ahern, Kristen
Albrecht, Ann
Brian Anderson
Avitabile, Karin

Bartkow, John
Beack, Jea Na

Brum, Karen
Burke, Aimee
Candura, Brandon
Capobianchi, Sharon
Chang, Shih-Ting
Christopher, Abigail
Colantonio, Danielle
Cosgrove, Kimberly
Cronin, Michelle
Davidson, Amanda
Devoe, Nicole

Dhillon, Arvinder
Downing, Erin
Fallon, Tara

Foley, Kerry-Ann
Freestone, Heather
Gacicia, Christopher
Geary, Jill
Graycar, Robin
Grugan, Michael
Haran, John
Harrison, Brian
Hassan, Ameera
Herzog, Carolyn
Ho, Joyce
Ho, Philip
Holbrook, Eileen
Hui, Derek
Hunt, Malissa

Hynes, Kerry
Irving, Michael
Jackson, Renee
Kadaris, Efe
Katsirubas, Gregory
Kelly, Michael

Home Ec. (foods & nutrition)
Band, Music (Festival)
Ind. Tech., English (Colby)
For. Lang. Certificate of Recognition
Music (Festival)
Math, For. Lang. (French 6), Humanities Award
Choral
Art
Art, English (Nichols)
Bentley Book Award
Math
For. Lang. (Spanish 5)
English (21st Century)
Music (Festival)
For. Lang. (Italian)
English (21st Century)
For. Lang. Certificate of Recognition
Guidance - Joe Grant
Business
S.S. (U.N. Pilgrimage for Youth Recipients)
For. Lang. Certificate of Recognition, Wellesley Book Award
Art
Home Ec. (Fashion Design)
Band
Future Medical
S.S. (U.N. Pilgrimage)
S.S. (World History)
English (Dartmouth)
Music (Festival)
Orchestra
Band, S.S. (John F. Kennedy)
Math
Science (Fair)
Music (Festival)
Math
Science (Rensselaer), English (Brown)
Lohn Leroy Award
John Leroy Award
For. Lang. (Spanish 5)
For. Lang. (Spanish 5)
Am. Hist.
Art

Lang, Michelle
Lynch, Adrianna
Lyons, Nancy
Manning, Christopher

Markowski, Amanda
Mawn, Elizabeth
McHugh, David
McHugh, Lindsey

McLaughlin, Adam

McLaughlin, Justin

McShea, Timothy
McSheffrey, Jonathan
Morgan, Julie
Murray, Eileen
O'Brien, Karen
Olivadoti, Guiseppe
Papile, Marisa
Petitti, Eric
Picewick, Dawn
Powers, Ann Marie
Randall, Benjamin
Richardi, Kristina
Ruprecht, Adam

Rush, Cynthia
Sampson, Allison
Saniuk, Sean
Shuster, Mark
Shuwairi, Sarah
Sigel, Benjamin
Solimini, Michelle
Stevens, Jennifer
Storms, Mark
Strom, Michael
Taliere, Josephine
Tanner, Julie
Tassinari, John
Testa, Regina

Thompson, Lynne
Thompson, Maria
Troup, Alexis

Music (Festival)
Music (Festival)
Art
Math, Science (Bausch & Lomb), Music (Fest.), S.S. (U.N.), Harvard Book Award
DKG Award
English
English (21st Century)
S.S. (U.N. Pilgrimage for Youth Recipients)
For. Lang. Cert. of Recognition
For. Lang. Cert. of Recognition
Music (Festival)
For. Lang. (Chinese)
Choral
Science (Fair)
Music (Festival)
S.S. (World Affairs)
Music (Festival)
Art
Orchestra
Music (Festival)
Music (Festival)
English (Xerox)
Science (Fair)
Future Medical
Suffolk Book Award
Math
Holy Cross Book Award
Art
For. Lang. Cert. of Recognition
English (21st Century)
For. Lang. (French 6)
Music (Festival)
Music (Festival)
Music (Festival)
Music (Festival)
Science (Fair)
Home Ec. (Early Childhood Ed.)
Music (Festival)
English (Philergrians)
Babson Book Award

RD\$ ATHLETICS

Vaidya, Aditi
Walorz, Jodi
Westberg, Frank
Worth, Jennifer
Wyatt, Kathleen
Yazbeck, Helen

Gardner, Ed
Rooney, Meghan

Lang, Michelle

Picewick, Dawn

Young, Dan

Seibert, Paul

McDonough, Maryellen

Lydon, Mike

Laneau, Brian

McConville, P.J.

Lyons, Rich
Troup, Stephen
Candura, Brandon
Thompson, Maria
McCarthy, Tara
Testa, Gina
Lyons, Rich

Scartissi, Daren

Fallon, Tara

Hack, Hale

Laneau, Brian

McSheffrey, Jon

Markowski, Amanda
Geary, Jill
Akoury, Jackie

Music (Festival)
Music (Festival)
Science (Fair)
Art
Music (Festival)
For. Lang. Cert. of Recognition

Coaches' Indoor Track Trophy
Arthur Sarney Trophy (Indoor Track)
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Lt. Leon Harris Trophy (Gymnastics)
Cheerleader Spirit Award
Lt. Leon Harris Trophy (Gymnastics)

Paul Hanson Trophy (Gymnastics)
Herget/Calhoun Trophy (Basketball)

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Jay Le Grand Trophy (Basketball)

Dave Crook Trophy (Basketball)
Bill Erwin Trophy (Basketball)
Ken Dooley Trophy (Hockey)
Gerry Bradley (Hockey)
Spirit Trophy (Cheerleading)
Field Hockey Trophy
Volleyball Trophy
Braintree Golf Association Trophy

Braintree Golf Association Trophy
David W. Wilson Trophy (Cross Country)

Paul V. Toolin Memorial Trophy (Cross Country)
David M. Gingrow Soccer Trophy

Thomas MacDonald Trophy (Soccer)

Girls Soccer Trophy
Girls Soccer Trophy
Outstanding Cheerleader Trophy

Rush, Cindy
Tricomi, Mike

Porteus, Ramsey

Connors, Shawn

Lynch, Colin
Shuster, Mark
Chang, James

McDonough, Mary Ellen
Sigel, Ben

Early, Jennifer

Googins, Greg

Lynch, Colin and
Laneau, Brian
McDonough, Mary Ellen
Short, Erin
Laneau, Brian
Lynch, Colin

B.H.S. Science Fair

Josh Abell, Brian Anderson, Keri Andrews, Paul Blaney, Mandy Boehmer, Denise Brown, Colin Burns,

Brendan Casey, Christy Clark, Allison J. Craven, Eileen Cusack, Colleen Cushing, Steven Daly, John

Dewsnap, Timothy Donovan, Katie Drew, Brian Drew, Nicholas Dunn, Chad Edgar, Patrick M. Galvin, John

Gilbert, Trevor Grondin, Brian Harrison, Bryan Hart, Julie Higgins, Philip Ho, Benjamin Hulke, Malissa

Hunt, Anne A. Hutchinson, Tim Johnson, John Jones, Uchechi Kalu, Martha D. Kelehan, Alena Kerins,

Michael Kerns, Sama Khan, Lisa Kimball, Kali Lekkas, Seth Little, Susan Lydon, Meghan Lydon, Matthew

MacDonald, Jill Manning, Chris Manning, Leahanne Mansfield, Niera Marshall, Kate McAllister, Tim

McAndrew, Andrea McGrath, Carol McIntyre, Melissa McNally, Eileen Murray, Laurie Nelson, Richard K.

Nelson, Carol O'Gara, James O'Sullivan, Guiseppe Olivadoti, Marisa Papile, Amy Patel, Jennifer Pelose,

Jaime F. Petitti, Christopher Psaros, Melissa Quinn, Omar Raiss, Ben Randall, Lauren Richenburg, Erin

Riordon, Peter Romano, Meghan Rooney, Adam Ruprecht, Jason Ryder, Elizabeth E. Sarney, Gregg

Savage, Kelly Schaefer, Laurie Silverio, Keri Sherlock, Craig P. Smith, Hillary Sterling, Matt Sterling,

Gretchen Stevens, Marie Strydom, Avery Sturtevant, John Tassinari, John Thompson, Mike Tricomi, Albert

Tu, Aditi Vaidya, Edward L. Vena, Edward Walker, Frank Westberg, Dana Williams, Richard D. Yazbeck,

Mary Yazbeck, Dan Young, Katy Young

Dance Team Spirit Trophy
James Whitehouse Trophy (Football)
Buster Doucette Trophy (Football)
Dick McAndrew Trophy (Football)
Alan R. Shaw Trophy (Football)
MVP (Boys Volleyball)
Lawrence Gettings Trophy (Boys Tennis)
Coaches Trophy (Girls Track)
Alfred B. Morcom Trophy (Boys Track)
Alice Daughraty Trophy (Softball)
John Crowell Trophy (Baseball)
William Frazier Trophy (Baseball)
Woman Coaches Trophy
Maureen Connolly Trophy
Sam Lawrence Trophy
Slauson Brothers Trophy

No Turning Back

Through the confusion and chaos, the loud seniors, in an excited frenzy, ran through the halls as the intimidated underclassmen sat in their homerooms. For many seniors, like Katie Drew, the day couldn't have come fast enough. She stated, "I've been counting down the days since May."

The hot weather and the shining sun, made the day even more enjoyable. The senior class met at Sunset Lake to decorate their cars and to get psyched up about the day ahead. Neighbors and children watched with tolerant amusement as the blue and white parade of decorated senior cars beeped their horns continuously as they drove to the school.

They began their last day with the annual senior breakfast in the cafe and then proceeded to classes. Seniors couldn't wait for the last period to be over. Brian Tartaglione repeatedly said, "Only one period left..." When school finally ended, a sense of freedom set in, with all of the excitement many seniors overlooked the fact that they would never be back, "It hasn't hit me yet that school is actually over, but I'm sure it will in a couple of days," said Tom Mochen.

Although classes were over, seniors had not forgotten about the ever so famous finals. They dreaded the fact that they had to go home and hit the books. For some, passing these finals determined whether or not they graduated. But for others it was just mandatory.

The seniors also looked forward to prom and graduation, but when all of the fun and excitement of being a senior was over, it was time to think about life in the real world. For most kids this was easier said than done, as Jeremy Zahn quoted, "I'm not ready to be a grown up yet." *Monique Trainor and Leanne Gundel*



► Seniors decorate their cars early in the morning at Sunset Lake on the last day of school. Friends filled the parking lot for this annual event. photo by McGrath

► Along with decorating their cars, some seniors helped decorate each other. Abby Christopher, Steve Furness and Erin Short all enjoyed decorating Jenn Legg's leg. photo by McGrath

Letting everyone know it's their last day, friends Rob Hallisey, Brian Kelleher and Matt Nichols enthusiastically start on their final trip to school. photo by McGrath



Yelling in excitement Amanda Foley and Jen Vitti walk into the school for their last day. photo by McGrath



Taping streamers to her car, Sue Myers balances on the hood while deciding what to add next.



On the seniors last day of school, good friends, Sue Seely, Trisha McGrath, Jill O'Connell and Teresa Alfeo shared their excitement with each other. This was the perfect time for the whole class to be together once again. Photo by McGrath



Sharing a secret are good friends Timmy Williams and Tom Mochen. Many memories were shared throughout their four years of high school. photo by McGrath



Fixing her date's boutonniere, Monique Moville coaxes him to dance. Some kids liked to just mingle with friends. Photo by McGrath.



Groovin' to the beat, Stephanie Minchello and her date take the dance floor by storm. Photo by McGrath

Friends Jen Wood, Shannon Flaherty, Collette Sentas, Marisa Agapito, and Aimee DeLauries chat for a few minutes. Photo by McGrath



Arriving in style, Erin Trainor and her party pulled up to the entry way. Limos could be seen everywhere on prom night. Photo by McGrath.



↑ Conga-ing to the music Amy Madden, Steve Furness, and Joe Cunningham have a blast on prom night. photo by McGrath.

Swept Away

Frenzied students prepared for what they hoped to be a "magical" senior prom; a fun-filled celebration of friendships and memories that would last a lifetime. Whether filled romance, or just a fun night of dancing, everyone agreed that the senior prom was one night they would never forget.

Preparations began early Wednesday morning. All around Braintree, students could be seen rushing from appointment to appointment trying to prepare in time for the prom. Collette Sentas explained, "I had so many things to do before the prom! I was so glad I was out of school so I had time to do it all!" Parents awaited the sight of their children in their prom attire. Michelle Kusser explained, "We had to go to four different houses before the prom. It took so long because everyone parents had to take a million pictures."

At Anthony's Pier 4, seniors arrived to make their memories and have "the time of their lives". However everyone's night was not without flaws. Bridget Wadsworth revealed, "While going to the prom, two guys threw a soft ball at the limo and the driver got really mad." Others had traffic problems, many roads were jammed with cars. Anne Albrect commented, "We got stuck in traffic for a half an hour." Others had problems that were a little more unexpected. Steven Ivans explained, "My car broke down on Liberty Street and I had to go knock on a stranger's door and ask to use the phone."

Some seniors decided to opt for the less-traditional by going to the prom with a group of friends instead of a date. This made for a less stressful prom, as they didn't have to worry about asking someone or being asked. Jill Spera asserted, "At first I didn't want to go alone, but I love to dance, so I decided to go and have fun-and I did!"

Seniors entered Pier 4, excitement mounting as the prom officially began. Some people waited in line for pictures, others mingled from table to table saying hello to friends and some simply enjoyed their surroundings. Justin McLaughlin described, "The view of the Harbor was spectacular!" After finishing dinner, people started to move onto the dance floor. Totally aware of the video camera taping them, people grabbed friends to dance in groups as they waved and smiled at the camera. Paul Kelley explained, "I danced all night long. My dance style might have been a little crazy, but I didn't care. All I cared about was having the best time possible."

Although the dance was over, the night was still young, as people piled into their cars and limos heading for their next destination. As the night came to an end memories were made, friendships were strengthened, and the seniors waved goodbye to their high school experiences.

Nicole Toma, Lindsey McHugh and Kate Rogan

! Arriving early was a tradition for many prom-goers. Many couples chatted and admired one another's prom attire before entering Pier 4. photo by McGrath



! Picture taking ; an essential ingredient of prom nigh, Julius Arrington and Charlotte Brown pose for their friends. photo by McGrath



! Taking a break from the excitement, Ameera Hassan and Amy McHugh chat about the evening. Many students couldn't believe their senior prom had actually arrived. photo by McGrath

— Jon McSheffrey and Sarah Stacey take a break from dancing. In typical Braintree style, kids danced so energetically that they needed to sit a few out. photo by McGrath





▲ Looking forward to a night of great food and dancing, Michelle Lauria and Ramsey Porteus enter the restaurant. Since proms are rarely held at this elegant restaurant, student anticipation for the event at Pier 4 was heightened for months in advance. photo by McGrath



▲ As Katie Drew makes her way to the dance floor, John Froio and Brian Kelleher make plans for after the prom. Most students went away with friends after the dance. photo by McGrath



➤ Carina Ciolek adjusts the lapels and flowers on Charlie Greco's tuxedo jacket. Far from the usual apparel, boutonnieres, cummerbunds and neckties took some getting used to. photo by McGrath

Worth The Wait

What's blue and white, very nervous and was sighted at Alumni Stadium on June fourth? No, not a scared, discolored zooescapee, but a group of 266 emancipated high school graduates. The day of triumph, excitement, and most of all, freedom had finally arrived. The close knit class, clearly anticipating their own moments in glory, cheered heartily for the classmates they had come to know and love over four long years.

Many spectators complained about the length of the drawn-out ceremony, but the graduates enjoyed the day. They cheered and applauded until the last diploma was given, and then exploded into a blue and white shower of caps. Ed Gardner, who graduated in the top 5% of the class and was a member of the National Honor Society, revealed, "When imagining this day, I knew I would be excited to be here, but I just felt such a rush of pride for my class that I hadn't anticipated." The raucous cheers from the graduates displayed their pride and support for fellow classmates.

With exclamations of, "There he is!" and "I see her, she looks great!" along with the sounds of fog horns echoing through the stadium, it was apparent that the crowd, made up of family and friends, shared in the excitement of the day.

"It was so exciting to finally see my son graduating! Today is a day we both have waited to celebrate for years. All the late nights studying and writing papers have paid off for him. I'm so proud," expressed Mrs. Hack, mother of Hale.

Spectators felt the chill of the breezy day in the stands, but the graduating class sweltered under the hot sun on the windless field. The students took advantage of their long robes by wearing informal and less constricting clothes in the warm weather, but others still sported dressy attire. Besides clothes, the seniors also adorned their caps. Terms such as "Question Authority" (seen on Mike Cuddy's cap) and friends' names could be read from the stands. Glitter was also a favorite decoration for the soon to be air-borne caps.

Although the graduating class was the smallest in 37 years, the excitement, and the length, surrounding the ceremony exceeded expectations. Thrilling, enthralling, and definitely very special, graduation was firmly implanted into the hearts and memories of yet another collection of unique scholars. *Ali Monac, Katy Young*



▲▲ Receiving his well-deserved scholarship, Mark Storms is applauded by the crowd. Over eighty-six scholarships were given on Graduation day from various families and businesses. photo by McGrath

▲ Enthusiastically waving to a friend, Caren Lacey receives help with her zipper from Tracy Keefe. Last minute primping helped the students to look more spiffy and feel more self-confident. photo by McGrath

▼ Relishing the moment and adjusting their tassels after receiving their diplomas, the class of '94 officially graduates. Many believed the day would never come. photo by McGrath



▲ Bidding a final farewell to the seniors, Mr. Hopkins, housemaster, thanks the students and their parents for a spectacular last year. The graduating class felt lucky that they had a chance to be a part of Mr. Hopkins's career. (photo by McGrath)



▲ Chatting before venturing out into the stadium, Mike Irving, Jon McSheffrey, and Billy Walsh spend the last few minutes together. Graduation was the last time the class would be together as a group. photo by McGrath



➡ Speaking confidently in front of his class, Valedictorian Rich Chang gives his speech, titled "A Shared Responsibility". The graduating class, along with the audience, felt the speech expressed the students' feelings of unity. photo by McGrath

— Cheryl Sandison smiles in amusement as she watches Jackie Akoury help untangle Jeremy Zahn's tassel. photo by McGrath



! Clowning around. Class clown, Tim Williams, celebrates receiving his diploma. photo by McGrath



! Receiving their prestigious awards, Brandon Candura and Abby Christopher await the arrival of the presenter. photo by McGrath



! Leading the parade, the student council vice president, Colin Lynch, and secretary, Katie Drew, lead the long line of seniors to their seats. photo by McGrath

Walking enthusiastically, Melissa Quinn rushes to receive her diploma. photo by McGrath



A special presentation to a special lady. Katie Riley, class president, presents a bouquet of flowers to Mrs. Guenther as a token of their appreciation of her help through the years. photo by McGrath

PARTING WAYS



What would you change about attending high school?

"I would've seen more of my friends outside of school."

Michelle Kusser

photo by McGrath



What do you plan on doing after high school?

"I plan to attend Columbia University to study engineering."

Dave Keogh

photo by McGrath



Where do you see yourself in five years?

"I see myself either in graduate school or working at a good paying job."

Steve Speralozzi

photo by McGrath



Do you think that BHS caters more to the seniors than to the underclassmen?

"I think that BHS caters to both, but I think they need to pay more attention to seniors to get them into college."

Melissa Fleming.

photo by McGrath



What, if anything, has influenced your direction in life?

"Seeing my friends who should have graduated with me, but aren't going to."

Christine Wood

photo by McGrath

Copy by Jennifer Bell and John Gilbert

▼ Joking with senior Matt Nichols, Mr. Vafides retells a humorous incident that had occurred in class. Mr. Vafides approachable manner and easy going personality was always welcoming to his students.



▲ Showing students the best way of solving a science problem, Mr. Vafides, voted 'best teacher', made problems clear and understandable to students.

► Strolling down the hall on the look out for wandering students, retiring housemaster, Mr. Hopkins, made sure that students were where they were suppose to be.



▲ It's hard work but somebody had to do it. Besides being a housemaster, Mr. Hopkins was also willing to dig in and help custodians and students clean the cafeteria.

Always willing to make spare time for students with problems, Mr. Hopkins occasionally finds a minute to catch up on his own paper work.



So much to do and so little time. Mr. Vafides used the time between classes to correct papers.

It's Unbelievable!

"You're kidding!" exclaimed junior, Bob Perniola, when he heard about the retirement of Housemaster, Mr. Hopkins and science teacher/coach, Mr. Vafides. Mr. Hopkins has been in the Braintree school system for thirty-seven years; Mr. Vafides, twenty nine years.

Mr. Hopkins observed, "The computer explosion was one of the biggest changes at BHS and the reduction in the number of students, going from roughly 3200 students to 1200 students."

"Mr. Vafides will be remembered as a definite favorite teacher, but he will be treasured for a lifetime as a coach," stated Mallisa Hunt. Mr. Vafides described his fondest memory, "In 1976, our hockey team played Winthrop in the State Finals at the Boston Garden in front of a sold out crowd."

Stephanie Porter stated, "Both retirees have influenced students," but Mr. Hopkins stated, "The students have influenced me by keeping me thinking young." In addition, Mr. Hopkins revealed, "The conversations that I have with various students during lunch will remain as some of my most pleasant memories."

After turning in his last set of grades, Mr. Vafides planned to spend more time vacationing. "I'll be spending more time at my Christmas tree plantation and fly fishing," exclaimed Mr. Vafides. In addition, he will continue to coach the varsity hockey team in the winter.

The highschool's future looks bright according to Mr. Hopkins. He remarked, "I think that with on-going town support and the high expectations that the town residents have for education that the school will continue to grow as one of the top academic institutions in the area."

Fellow faculty members talked about the retirements of Mr. Vafides and Mr. Hopkins. They all agreed that the two will be missed very much, because they have both been a part of the faculty for such a long time and they have devoted themselves to the needs of the students. "Mr. Vafides is a unique teacher and it's a real loss to the atmosphere of the school," stated Mr. Kendall, a fellow faculty member.

As the last locker slammed shut on the last day of school, Mr. Hopkins and Mr. Vafides were added to the list of administrators and teachers who have influenced the students and who have left a little bit of themselves in the foundation of the school.

Tara Fallon and Vicki Adams

Highlighting The Town

It was the year when things finally started to turn around for the community. Even though the economic situation didn't change since the inauguration of Bill Clinton, more people were working together, and expansion and improvement took effect.

The town of Braintree held a Multi-Cultural Fair in September titled, "Under One Flag". The fair included food and entertainment from different ethnic origins, a health fair, a 10k road race, activities for children, and a walkathon for meals for homebound elderly. The fair was declared a great success by those who participated; including the senior class and Key Club.

Proposals for expansion on the South Shore Plaza came flying in, much to the dismay of many town residents. They feared if the expansion went through, traffic would disrupt the quiet neighborhoods they loved.

Even though the proposal for the plaza expansion was being argued, construction began on the new mall on Pearl Street that would include Caldor, Shawmut Bank, and Auto Palace. Another mini-mall opened on Quincy Avenue in East Braintree. It included a Little Caesar's, West Coast Video, and other small shops. This mall was heartily welcomed by East Braintree residents, but seen as a threat to the dying Quintree Mall.

The school committee changed due to the resignation of Mr. Dan Candura as school committee representative. A new representative, Mrs. Charity Nettlemen, was elected to replace him.

Although Mr. William Wassel replaced Mr. John Leroy as headmaster of the high school, Leroy could still be found supporting high school and town activities. Mr. Wassel meanwhile began implementing new programs and schedules to adapt to the changing needs of the school.

Recycling became a major part of Braintree's plan for keeping the town clean and cutting down on trash. Every family received recycling bins over the summer, which were collected on garbage day.

The Brain Injured Center remained at the school, continuing its successful program with brain injured children.

After all the hard times, Braintree seemed to be emerging out of the slump. People worked to improve the community; to make it a better, safer place to live. *Coleen Flynn*



▶ Leading the way, senior Chris Grugan is a crowd pleaser at the Homecoming Parade. Many Braintree residents turned out for the parade every year. photo by McGrath

▶ Aiding with moral support, friends Donald Minchello, Chris Henderson, Kevin Lynch, Kenny Goode, and Jamie Varasso help their buddy Rob Rusciotto through the trying experience of giving blood. photo by volunteer

▼ Helping out a customer, senior Ryan Preuss finds the correct disk package. Due to the economic slump, many students had part-time jobs. photo by student



◀ Working diligently, Rob Fasano collects carriages at his job at F&M. The Pearl Street Plaza was to receive new neighbors across the street with Caldor, Shawmut, and Auto Palace. photo by B. Kane

▼ Warming up for the meet with Needham, Wamps do laps around the school. Support of school sports was abundant among residents. photo by McGrath



▲ Selling plants at a fair, Mike Crispin, Tom Lafavre, and Jim Lafavre take time out to pose for the camera. Raising money for churches and youth groups involved a great deal of time and dedication. photo by parent

! Carrying the torch of victory, Terence Smith makes his lap around the track in the Special Olympics. Many people participated in the 1994 Braintree Special Olympics and it turned out to be a very special and memorable occasion for all. photo by student



! Carefully lining his swing with the ball, Chris Psaros plans his winning shot. Setting up the shot with the ball was imperative for achieving one's success. Photo by McGrath.

➤ With a flash, the Girls Cross-Country team launches into their race against Needham. The girls and boys of the cross-country teams found Needham to be one of the more challenging teams to conquer. photo by McGrath



➔ Preparing to launch the ball across the plate, John Jones concentrates on his pitch. John proved to be an important asset to the team's success. photo by McGrath

⚡ The varsity football team displays it's patriotism during the "Star-Spangled Banner." Although they worked strenuously and hustled together, their season wasn't as successful as they hoped. photo by McGrath



Year at a Glance



⚡ The girls' field hockey team, their spirit soaring, huddle together to plan their next course of action. Well planned strategy, talent, and lots of teamwork were needed in order for the team to fight the talented teams they faced. photo by McGrath



➔ As Chris Grugan launches over the high jump, he shows that good elevation is desperately needed for clearing the bar. The high jump and shotput were the only field events in the winter season, therefore they were very important. photo by McGrath

Take Another Look

▼ Melissa Ruozzi struggles against her opponent for control of the ball. photo by McGrath

▼ Celebrating spirit week, Cheerleaders Dawn Picewick, Amanda Foley, Maria Thompson, Sharon Capobianchi, Althea Stephens, and Jen Jones decorate the week before the big Homecoming game. photo by K. Rogan



▲ Completing a smooth landing, Marie Cuscianna strikes a pose after her floor routine. It was routines like hers that moved the Varsity team toward second place in the Baystate League. photo by McGrath

► During one of their suspense filled matches, Danielle Hutchins and Christine Sampson acknowledge their teamwork which led to a job well done. Facing some tough teams, the girls of the j.v. volleyball team experienced a worthwhile, steady season. photo by McGrath





— Trapped in the crowd, Karen O'Brien fights for control of the ball against Brookline players. This was a difficult task for the smaller guards to grab a loose ball against the larger forwards. photo by McGrath



— To be sure he connects on the put, Bill Wessman carefully lines his shot with the hole. The golf team's Bay State League #1 slot was not aquired easily, solid skill and concentration were required from all of the players to pull off the great season. photo by McGrath

— Soaring through mid air, Mary Ellen McDonagh, leaps to complete her triple jump. Mary Ellen was an essential element as a jumper. photo by McGrath



▲ Scrunching down, Mikalah Carlson reaches in time to get the ball. Overall both the J.V. and Varsity teams had a successful season due to their spirit and cooperation. photo by McGrath

— Keeping the puck far from his opponent's reach, junior Sean Dailey skates out of danger. Swift skating and quick thinking were necessary to win a hockey game. photo by McGrath



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Cody Oliva who was wrongly identified on pgs. 24 and 125.

Lisa Kimball, David King, and Beth King who were wrongly identified on pg. 121.

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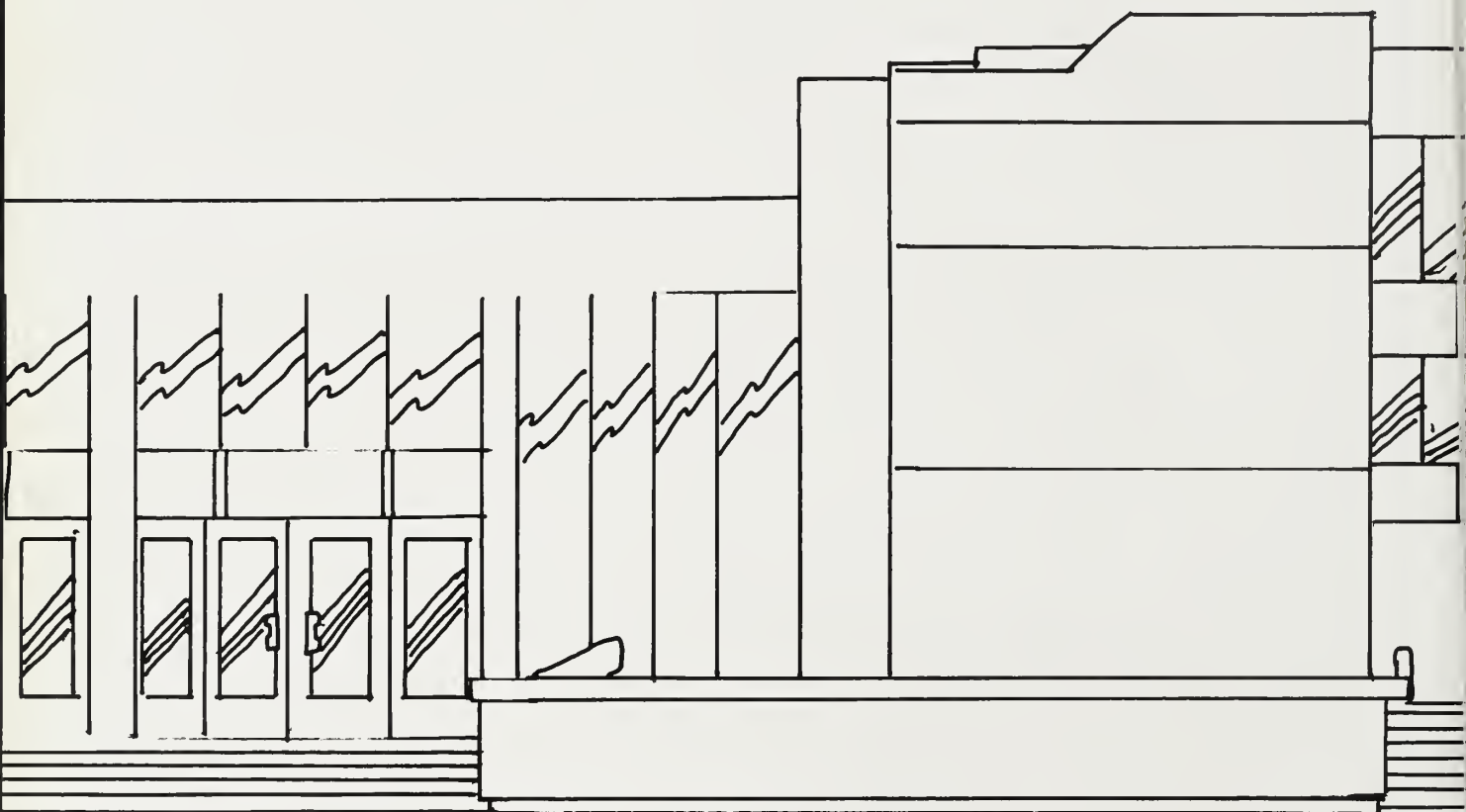
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↑ Anxiously awaiting the first day of school, brothers Dan and Zev Young enter the building. Dan was among many seniors who drove their siblings to school because of the price of the bus. photo by McGrath

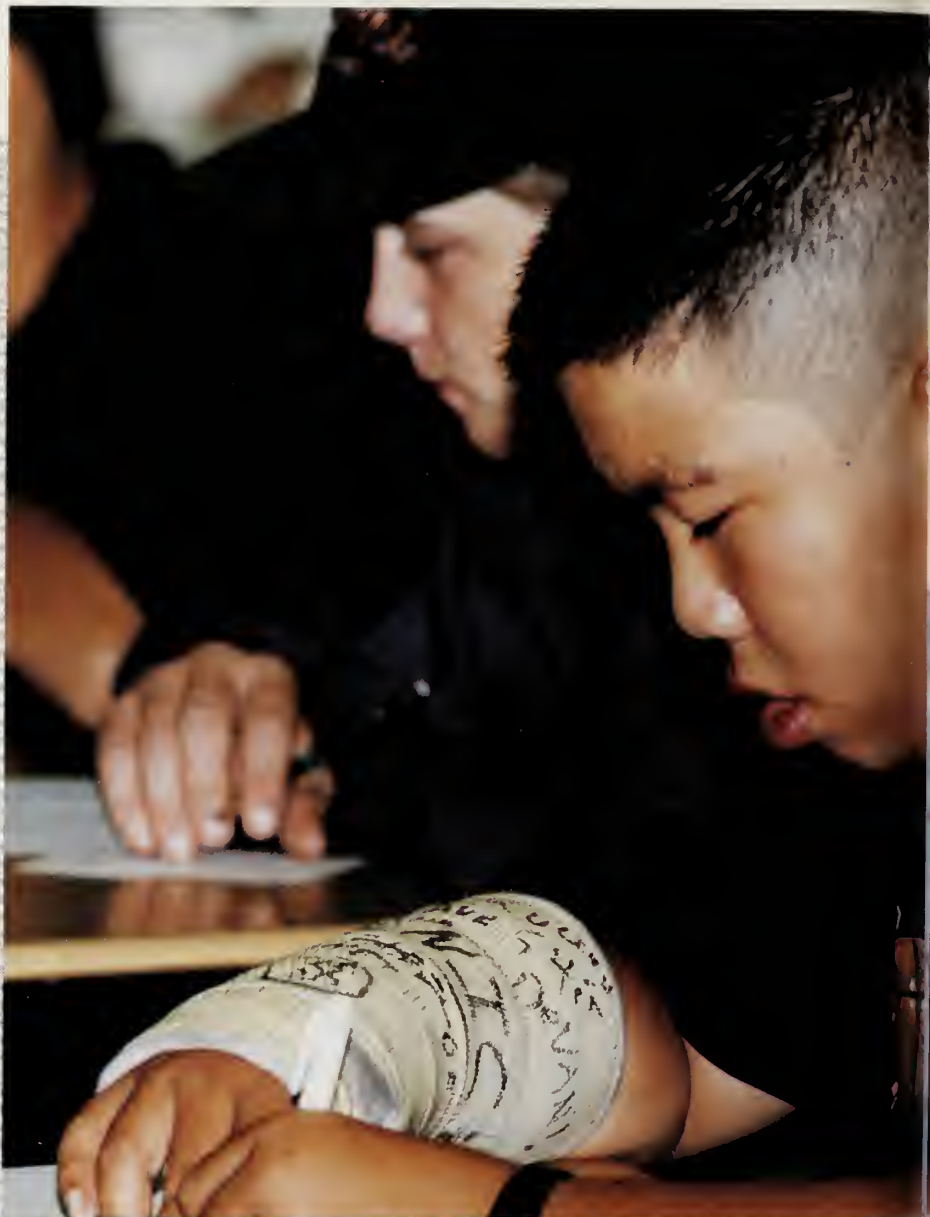


↑ At the end of along first day, senior Brian Coffey shows a little disappointment about being back. Because the summer was so short, it took students awhile to readjust. photo by McGrath

↑ Ready to begin her senior year, peer leader Marisa Agapito enjoys the start of her senior year. Peer leaders helped freshmen get adjusted to the high school. photo by McGrath



► Bevan Chan fills out his registration card in homeroom. All students had to go through this process on the first day of school.
photo by McGrath



▲ Patricia Griffiths and Katie Giblin prepare to enter the exiting world of the first day of school. Most students received rides from their parents because of the cost of the buses. photo by McGrath



▲ With a smile on her face, Abby Christopher is ready to start the first day of school. Many seniors, like Abby, were excited about finally finishing high school.
photo by McGrath

▲ Ms. Carole Canwell helps the Project Prove students with the often tedious task of opening their lockers on the first day of school. Many underclassmen found the task of opening their lockers to be impossible. photo by McGrath

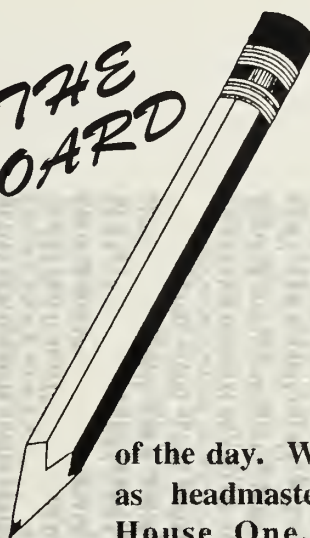


▲ Nicole Rattigan takes time to pose for a picture on her way into school. Students who took the bus found that they had a lot of time before school because the buses arrived extremely early.

photo by McGrath



BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD



Change was the order of administration of Mr. Wassel Spencer as housemaster of occurred all over the school.

of the day. With the new as headmaster and Mrs. House One, changes

Mr. Wassel tossed the old "cut" policy and instituted detention instead for those who skipped class. Upperclassmen were no longer allowed frees; assigned studies were substituted into all students' schedules.

The school experienced physical changes as well. The classical foyer, better known to students as the pit, received a new rug, the first since the school was built in the 1970's.

The curtain in the auditorium was also replaced, and gave the auditorium a brighter appearance.

Locally, administrators and parents realized that AIDS was an important issue in students' lives, and despite the fact that the first AIDS curriculum proposal for students in grades K-12 was shot down, they recognized that a new curriculum must be completed and a committee was hard at work drafting a new one.

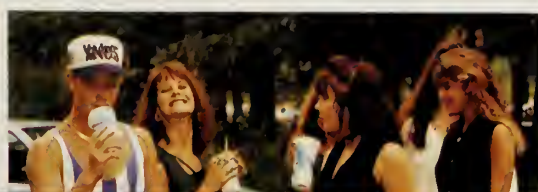
Nationally, President Clinton proposed a new health package for the American people; a plan in which everyone was eligible for health insurance.

Tranquility was finally established in the Middle East as the PLO and Israel signed an historic peace agreement in Washington before President Clinton.

Students were ready for those and many other changes. They improved their surroundings by volunteering with Key Club and getting involved with student government.

Students and faculty went back to the basics to improve the school; going back to an old way of thinking, that education and discipline were vital to succeed. It seemed the old became new as Wamps went Back to the Drawing Board. *Coleen Flynn*

← Jenn Cadete and her date rest during the junior prom. Because of the lack of space in the Classical Foyer, dancers found themselves sitting where ever they could find room. photo by McGrath



← Josh Gato and Lauren Hanscomb stop to talk to their friends on the first day of school. Students used the first day to get reacquainted with old friends. photo by McGrath

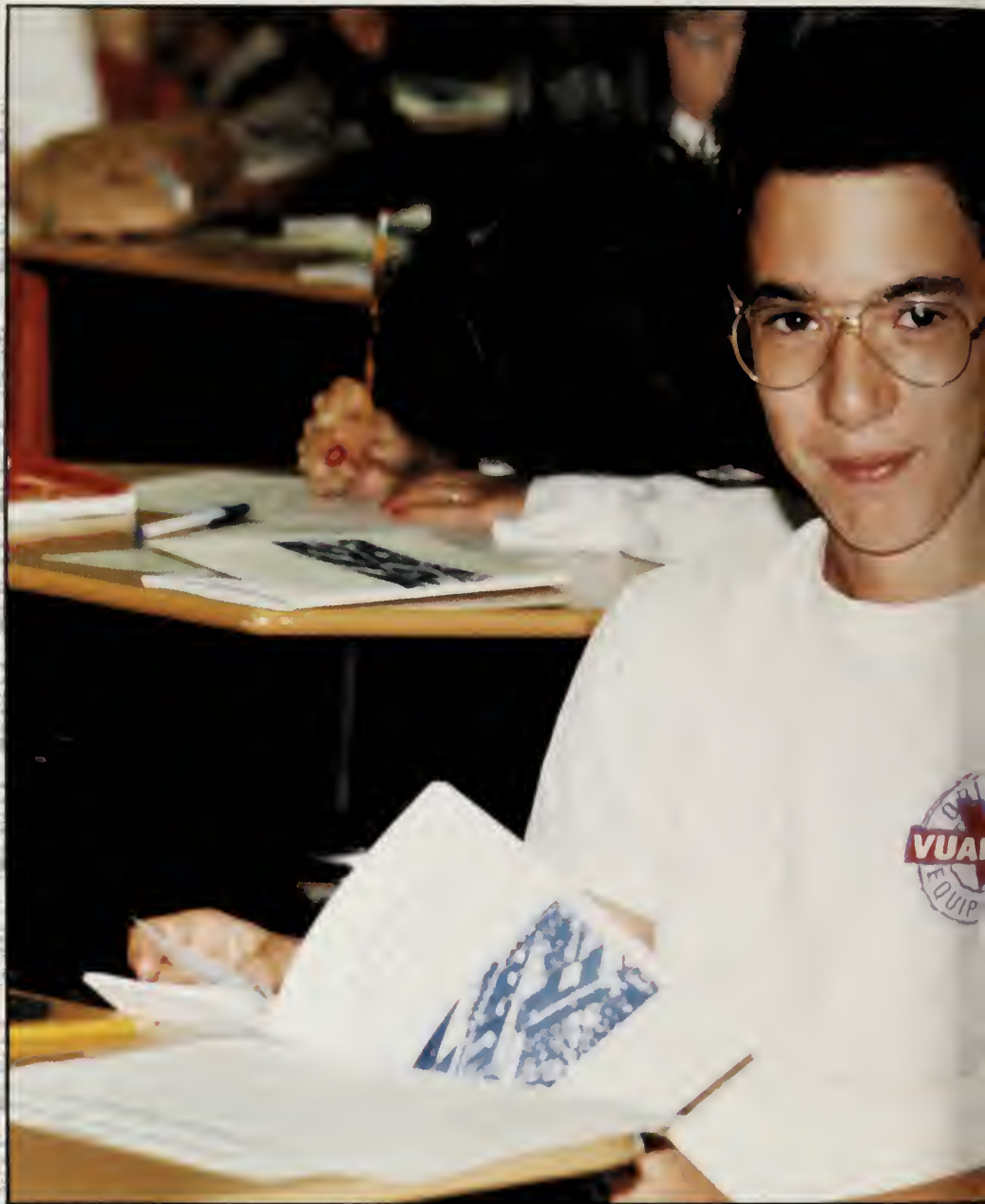


↑ Screaming with excitement, seniors Colin Lynch and Amanda Foley get ready to take to the dance floor at the junior prom. photo by Nicholas



↑ Freshman Ricky Nelson struggles with his locker. This was one of many things freshman had to get used to. photo by McGrath

➤ Ms. Kreinsen leads a group of freshman on a tour of the school to help them get acquainted. photo by McGrath



↑ Senior Jean Lasik checks into the House 1 office for help. The House 1 office was moved into the main office to avoid confusion. photo by McGrath





◀ Preparing for the new year, freshman Scott Sardo reads up on the new school rules. The new rules were created to improve the school under the new administration. photo by McGrath

SHOWING OUR TRUE COLORS

Getting involved in school and with the community was the theme for this year. Many students could be found doing outside volunteer work to better themselves and the community, as an outstanding amount of students got involved with youth groups and youth services.

Students no longer just went out to party as in the past. Many students found a greater need for part-time jobs and began saving more for their futures in college, instead of spending all their money on frivolous whims such as CD's or sneakers. Many students also took advantage of programs offering financial aid to help them pay for college.

School spirit returned in full force as students began attending more sporting events and cheering the teams on. It wasn't odd to see students hanging around the pit afterschool waiting for the soccer game to start.

Due to the administration's decision to have assigned studies, more students spent their frees studying and doing homework. Getting a better education was important to most students.

Students got together to make the school work under a time of change. They stayed tough and worked hard to achieve what they wanted. Even though most of it meant starting from scratch, Wamps were determined not to let anything stop them. *Coleen Flynn*



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Short but Sweet

"2:03. Sigh. Two minutes left until freedom. Eight weeks of summer just waiting for that stupid bell to ring. 10..9..8.....3..2...We're out of here!"

Anxiety filled the air those last few extra days of school while students waited for the much anticipated days of summer to finally begin. Everyone was more than aware that summer would fly by seeing that it didn't even start until June 29th and came to a quick end on September 2nd.

Braintree celebrated the Fourth of July the weekend before school was even out. As usual, booths were set up for food and games. There was live music and a fantastic fireworks display. Students shared in the community's spirit helping out with booths for organizations or participating in the festivities.

"The Fourth of July was the highlight of my summer," stated senior Shawn Conners. He toughed out a long day in the dunking booth to help support Friends of Braintree Football.

Many students worked various booths to support community and school organizations. It was a funfilled day for all even though summer hadn't technically begun.

When summer finally hit, it struck hard. The heat during the first two weeks of July was unbearable. New England was hit by a heat wave with temps in the high 90's everyday.

While some sought comfort in their air conditioned homes, others headed straight for the beach. Sophomore Dennis O'Connell exclaimed, "I couldn't wait to get to the beach to cool off. Of course, I was also there hoping to meet a few girls."

Junior Elvis Tam had a different approach to the heat. "You could rarely find me at home. I was always at a friend's house (usually one's who had air conditioning or a pool.)" This seemed to be the only alternative to the beach.

For those with birthdays in the summer months, the prospect of spending that special day in the blistering heat wasn't too thrilling. However, junior Erin Whitney couldn't complain about her summer birthday. "My boyfriend took me out to dinner and gave me a dozen roses. When we came back, my friends were there to throw me a surprise party. It was a blast; I'll never forget it!"

Other unforgettable summer events were the long lists of concerts to choose from. Aerosmith, Lollapalooza, Billy Joel, and Walden Woods were among the favorites.

"I was lucky enough to go to five or six concerts."

↑ Showing off a little, senior Ben Sigel demonstrates his talent for the unicycle. Chris Grugan watches on to see if Ben falls. The day was an opportunity for students to relax and enjoy the nice summer weather with some childish fun. photo by R. Preus



↑ After a long day of work at the Tea Shop restaurant in Squirrel Island, Me., sophomore Robin Graycar and her friends take a break. Her trip was an escape from civilization; no cars or phones were allowed. photo by a Maine native



Toughing it out through a tough hill, senior Ken Goode manages to crack a smile. Ken participated in the Tufts 10k race. photo by a spectator



— Holding in his anticipation of his upcoming ride, senior Tony Alfeo awaits a ride on Canohie Lake's Galaxy. Many students spent summer days at amusement parks. photo by E. Hanks

† A not so nice day at the beach can still be fun. Jen Legg, Erin Short, Cindy Rush, Melissa Quinn, Tricia McGrath, Efie Kardaris, and Aimee DesLauriers made the most of a cold summer day. photo by M. Agapito



What a good sport! Getting ready to be dunked again, senior Shawn Connors takes a breather. Shawn volunteered to work the dunking booth to help support the friends of Braintree Foothall. Many students volunteered to do various jobs at the festival. photo by R.Preus



► The varsity soccer team just misses a shot on goal. The soccer team had the once in a lifetime opportunity to play England over the summer. BHS triumphed! photo by R. Preus



▼ Proudly holding Braintree's flag, Terry Smith and Project Prove walk into the stadium. BHS Special Olympics is always a big event that makes many kids happy. photo by a spectator



▼ Ahhh! Students scream as they go fly down the hill of Canobie Lake's flume ride. The water rides were favorites when the heat was too much to bear. photo by B. Crispo



▲ Red as lobsters, Jerry Natale and his girlfriend try not to show their pain. The heat wave was unbearable for everyone. photo by parent

▲ Friends escape from the summer heat wave and spend some time together at the beach in Point Sebago, Maine. Jen O'Rourke, Kerry Hynes, Caroline McNally, Mike Cuddy, Colin Lynch, Kerrie Molloy, Steve Troup, Jill Geary, Greg Googins, Katie Riley, and Bridget Shea spent the weekend camping. photo by K. O'Rourke



Working hard, senior Jen Stevens makes a poster for the booth she is working. She had time to enjoy the rest of the festivities as well. photo by R. Preus



After a long hot day at Martha's Vineyard, Leo Hart, Lindsey McHugh, Marie Rydon, Josh Ahell, and Erin Stracuzzi stop for an icecream. Summer trips were popular with groups of friends. photo by L. Mawn

Short but Sweet

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Unlike most people, I didn't have to spend hours sitting in the Great Woods parking lot afterwards. Most of the time I was dropped off, so it was never really a problem," commented senior Michelle Lauria.

On the other hand, some students were not as fortunate. Senior Danielle DeLucca sighed, "It seemed like every time a good concert was coming up, I was always on vacation or had to work."

Senior Brenda Varrasso agreed, "This summer was a little bit of a disappointment. I didn't expect to have to work as much as I did."

Summer was not all fun and games. Senior Shawn Connors added, "My summer was simple because I worked and trained for football every other day."

Many dedicated athletes gave up their precious summer time to get prepared for the fall season. Hours were spent on the track and on the soccer field practicing.

Sohomore Paul Alvarado had to admit it was tough work training for x-country. "Getting up at seven o'clock in the morning every day to run three miles, is not how most people want to spend their last two weeks of summer."

Athletics weren't the only thing on students' minds. Some seniors had serious concerns about college plans.

Senior Erin Trainor said, "I knew I had to get a headstart on interviewing and touring colleges, because I was thinking about applying Early Decision."

Everyone's summer had its ups and downs, but all agreed the major down was the time factor. The summer of 1993 seemed more like a two week break than a two month vacation.

With so much to do and so little time, students were just aching for a few extra days of sun.

Senior Paul Delorie concluded, "I was just getting used to the late nights of card games and midnight swims. There just wasn't enough time for all the trips my friends and I wanted to make. It will be our last summer together. Next year, everyone will be getting ready for college. I was so disappointed." *Erin Hanks and Nancy Lyons*



Back To School... Ready Or Not

Back to school, ready or not! As freshman and returning students entered the building, they were surprised by the many changes. Freshly painted walls, a newly carpeted pit and and most importantly, an updated handbook and schedule.

With all these changes many students wondered what the year to come held in store. Kerry Gibbons, junior, commented, "I like some of the changes, the pit and the auditorium look great, but I do feel some of the rules are a little extreme."

The schedule featured L block, which meant eating the same lunch with the same people everyday, an aspect disappointing to some students. Also, juniors and seniors didn't get triple lunch as in the past. Some students felt this was unfair.

Junior Katie Lewis said, "I have free L block, and I was psyched last year, because I thought I'd get triple lunch. I was disappointed, along with many other students, when I got assigned to a study."

Senior Dennis Galvin stated, "The new changes in the school, are unnecessary. If it's not broken, don't fix it." Many of the underclassmen thought these changes were unnecessary. Sophomore Andrea Markowski explained, "I hate the new L block because people are stuck in a lunch with people they don't even know or like, they feel uncomfortable. This is one of the only times during the day that we get to relax."

In addition to the new lunches, students were upset about the new suspension policy. "I think the new idea of getting suspended if you're late is ridiculous. Kids should be suspended if they have done something wrong, over sleeping or car trouble aren't wrong," exclaimed junior Brian MacLeod.

Others, such as senior Steve Troup, agreed that the new policies were a bit extreme. "I don't think it's fair that seniors have to have an assigned free."

When pressed for an opinion, teacher, Mr. Kendall expressed, "If you thought discipline was a problem, then the new rules are fine. But I wouldn't touch that with a ten foot pole."

With so many changes, good and bad, we were all left wondering if we were ready or not! *Denise Brown, and Kerry McDermott*

▼ Ed Gardener listens to what Mr. Vafides says about the new handbook. On the first day, teachers usually gave a summary of new rules and regulations. photo by McGrath



▲ Junior Eileen Holbrook attempts to open her locker. Remembering locker combinations just added to the stress of the first day. photo by McGrath



▲ Jen and Chris Welch, like many other students, found that being driven by a parent proved to be the main source of transportation. photo by McGrath



Anxious to get to their new classes, freshmen quickly ran down the spiral staircase. With new teachers and a new schedule, many freshmen found themselves running quickly to every class. photo by McGrath



▲ Mr. Vafide's senior homeroom prepares themselves for the first day. Most students were busy trying to figure out the new schedule. photo by McGrath

◀ Mr. Wassel talks with a group of friends as they wait outside. The first day was an exciting experience for some students. photo by McGrath



↑ Dawn Picewick, Julie Joyce, Jenn Wood, Tom Wetzel, Mike Guerriero, and Rachel Connolly, show off a variety of styles that can be seen at BHS. They are proving that there is a great amount of individuality in 90's fashion. photo by McGrath



↑ Denise Brown and Brandon Candura carry on a conversation while others notice their casual style. photo by McGrath.



↑ Likely to be seen in more casual and comfortable styles are Marisa Agapito, Andy Nicklas, Althea Stephens, Jeff Milch, Alicia Gray, and Carol McIntyre. photo by McGrath

➤ Two senior friends, Maria Thompson and Dawn Picewick, smile for the camera as they show off the vest trend. photo by McGrath



↑ Discussing their weekend plans, sophomores Julie Joyce and Nitsa Drake display their outfits. They displayed the dressy look. photo by McGrath



Clowning around while dressed in their flannels, Lenore Herget, Marisa Papile, Mike Irving, Hale Hack, Danielle Perry, and Paul Alvarado had a good time. photo by McGrath



Marcel Galveo proudly displays the hip-hop style of 94' made popular by rappers and R&B artists alike. photo by McGrath

All You Have To Be Is You Something Personal

Walking down the halls, one would have noticed styles from trendy dresses to someone's favorite pair of jeans, fashion was all about personal style. For a long time the fashion magazines had said what was in and out; grunge, romantic, hip-hop, etc. The truth was, everyone had their own way of dressing. Some dressed for comfort and some for style.

What was in your closet?

Popular items related back to the sixties. "I never thought I would see the day that the clothes from my mother's generation would be the style now," said Eileen Holbrook, junior. Vests, bell bottoms, crochet, chokers, clogs, flannels, platforms, and plaid were all big styles of the year. Also the big and baggy style was beautiful, that's mostly because this look gave people comfort and room to move. The feminine and flouncy poet shirt was, again, "another big item of the year," agreed junior Jen Shipp. The fashions of "94" were all about personal style.

Feeling comfortable was a good way to describe the grunge look. Plaids, flannels, Berkinstocks, clogs, work boots, and jeans all accounted for that look. As junior Erin Stracuzzi explained, "I like to go to school being comfortable and fashionable at the same time." Many students felt that being comfortable was more important than being in style. That was why the grunge look was such a success at BHS.

For many students the most popular and comfortable piece of clothing they owned was their favorite pair of jeans. Jeans could have been worn with just about anything, such as, a casual top and a baseball hat. As Ameera Hassan stated, "I think casual jeans and comfortable tops will always be in style." Despite being banned in most classrooms, baseball hats were still as popular as ever for both guys and girls, to complete the typical, casual look. "Hats and jeans, you gotta wear what you gotta wear," expressed Steve Furness. There was no denying that from far out bell bottoms to more traditional styles, jeans were always found in their closets, along with whatever else suited their own personal style. *Leanne Gundel, Monique Trainor, and Melissa Pope*



Heaven on Earth

Lights, camera, action! After weeks of aggravation from running store to store, Saturday, May 8th finally arrived. With warm weather, and the sun shining brightly, the night ahead was already looking good.

For weeks the topic of conversation in and out of school revolved around what to where, where to go afterwards and with whom the big night would be shared with. The tickets cost \$60 per couple and "Heaven" by Bryan Adams had been selected as the theme song by the junior class. Now all that was needed was the enthusiastic students dressed in their finest outfits to make their entrance into the "City Lights."

Everyone rushed around trying to take care of all the last minute details. Choosing the right outfit to wear at an affordable price was easy for some, but frightening for others. Many girls planned to visit tanning salons to get the perfect tan. Others headed to the nearest CVS to make sure they had plenty of film and hair spray.

Attending the Junior prom was never a cheap date. Picking up flowers at the last minute and booking appointments at beauty salons were of no surprise. "Weeks of saving money and making preparations proved to be worth the one night of memories!" revealed Paul Blaney.

When heard that the prom would be held in the pit, many people were skeptical at first. "I thought it was a terrible idea and it wouldn't be as special as it should be. But once I saw it I was impressed and thought that other juniors should hold their prom in the pit," confessed Jackie Akoury.

In the end, the hard work of the Junior prom committee along with many volunteers paid off. For two days they helped decorate the pit with city-like cutouts, a bridge, and white lights to make it a more special evening. Although the dance floor caused couples to dance closer together and feet to be stepped on, "the pit was transformed into a beautiful dance floor and a fun atmosphere," exclaimed Gina Testa.

Everyone surrounded the pit eagerly awaiting the traditional entrance of the nominees for prom king and queen. Bursts of applause erupted as Jill Geary and Dan Birolini were called to the dance floor. As king and queen, they led off a dance to the song "Heaven."

The attendants danced the night away, not realizing that it was already midnight and their night of fun and excitement was about to come to an end. Many people continued the night by going to parties or out to eat. "Finding a place to eat was difficult because few places were open so late. When we finally found a place to go, it was too crowded, so we ended up driving around going nowhere!" declared Ryan Preus. Dressed more comfortably, students continued their weekend in many ways. Some caught up on their sleep, some worked to make up for lost money, while others got stuck in traffic driving to Canobie Lake Park or Riverside. *Teresa Alfeo and Jill O'Connell*

¶ Holding flowers in her hand, wearing a crown on his head, Jill Geary and Dan Birolini enthusiastically pose as the lucky winners of Prom Queen and King. They led in a dance once the lights dimmed low and the cheers stopped. photo by McGrath



¶ Kendra Davenport made the most of being able to spend time with her date Dennis Knudsen. Many people brought dates from other schools. photo by Nicholas



◀ Mark Storms shows some of his moves to his date, Patty Lang. He, like many of the guys, left his coat at the table to dance more freely and cope with warm temperatures. photo by Nicholas

¶ Prom night was not only shared with that special person but with friends. People could be found dancing in large groups. photo by Nicholas



¶ While Eric Cyphers and his date, Jen Henrique, are aware only of one another, Tina Wright and Shawn Connors are enjoying the activities around them. Many couples enjoyed just watching other people dance throughout the night. photo by Nicholas

◀ Caught up in the spirit of the evening, Katie Drew dances with Mr. William Kendal. A few of the teachers were honored to be asked to dance by their students. photo by Nicholas



► Melissa Fleming and her date Dave Del Pappa take a minute to rest from the excitement on the dance floor. Many couples took time alone to talk to each other and laugh with each other. photo by Nicholas

▼ Nominees for Prom King and Queen: Charlie Greco, Carina Ciolek, John Froio, Ameera Hassan, Brian Kelly, Katie Riley, Colin Lynch, Jill Geary, Dan Birolini, and Maria Thompson wait anxiously to find out which of them will be the winners. photo by Nicholas



▼ Sandy Doody tenderly strokes the cheek of her date Tom Connor. Going to the prom was a special event that many couples shared. photo by Nicholas



▲ Carina Ciolek happily receives a kiss on the cheek by her date Charlie Greco. photo by Nicholas

▲ Dancing up a storm at the junior prom are Sherrie Jordan, Brian Coffey, Greg Googins, Amanda Foley, Kristen Foley and Rob Fasano. Many present at the prom found that dancing in groups was more enjoyable than dancing individually. photo by Nicholas



Heaven on Earth

◀ In each other's arms, Juliette Heslam and Matt Laslie laugh as they dance slowly to the music. Couples always enjoyed slow dancing with each other. photo by Nicholas

▼ Caroline McNally and Kerry Malloy laugh at their friends on the dance floor. Many interesting and funny moves by dancers could be found in the pit. photo by Nicholas



▲ Taking a break from the dance floor, Paul Kelly and his senior date Alison Bache smile for the camera. Seniors attending the junior prom was a common occurrence. photo by Nicholas





"McDonalds is better because their Chicken McNuggets and sweet and sour sauce is better. It's also cheaper." -- Shannon Heine photo by McGrath

Favorite Restuarant



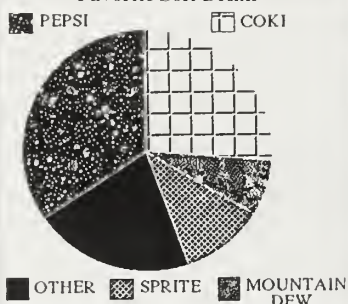
"Soccer is an interesting, fast-paced sport, fun for the whole family." -- Mike Henriksen photo by R. Preus

Favorite Sport



"Diet Pepsi is my favorite drink, especially after a long, hard practice."-- Amanda Foley photo by R. Preus

Favorite Soft Drink



"The new changes in the school are unnecessary. If it's not broken, don't fix it."-- Dennis Galvin photo by McGrath

Prefer the New Changes in School



¶ As Jon McSheffrey and Paul Blaney jump for the ball Tom Mochen cheers them on and Brian Laneau leaps out of the way. Many agree soccer was one of the best sports to play. photo by McGrath



¶ Madonna never fails to surprise us. So we're not surprised that she's not popular here at B.H.S. photo by RM Photos.



A Night of Favorites

Friday night and Mike, a typical Braintree student, is bored. He decided to call his girlfriend Monica, a typical Braintree girl.

"Hi Monica. Do you want to go out tonight?" he asked.

"Sure. I really want to go to the PLAZA. You know everyone will be there."

"Sounds great. Let's grab some dinner before we go. How about MCDONALD'S? That's my favorite."

"Yeah, definitely not that other burger joint. That's the worst."

"O.k. I'll pick you up in an hour."

Mike hung up the phone, threw on his favorite sneakers from HERMAN'S and grabbed his coat. Meanwhile Monica was putting on a sweater from THE LIMITED, her favorite store. While Monica was waiting for Mike to pick her up, she flipped through YM; it had to be the best magazine of all time. She got thirsty, so she went to the kitchen for a drink. She looked at what was there and she chose PEPSI, because she wasn't going to drink that diet stuff. Just as she was finishing her drink she heard the beep of Mike's car.

She ran out and jumped in the car. The radio was on their favorite station KISS 108. They were playing a new

NKOTB song which was really awful so Mike put in the PEARL JAM tape he had gotten that day at NEWBURY COMICS. Monica looked over at Mike thinking how cute he was. Just like her favorite actor TOM CRUISE.

After they ate they went to the plaza. Mike spotted the school geek who reminded him of JASON PRIESTLY. Monica saw her best friend munching on her favorite junk food, DORITOS, so she ran over to see her.

Monica's best friend was with her boyfriend who was flipping through SPORTS ILLUSTRATED. Sports was the most important thing to everyone who went to their school. Soccer was the big event every Saturday night. Everyone went except the school geek who was too busy playing GOLF.

After the plaza, Mike and Monica went back to Monica's house. They couldn't go anywhere else because Mike was broke from paying for Monica's shopping spree and dinner, because of course, Mike always pays. They had to get home in time for LETTERMAN. While they were waiting, they flipped through the channels, skipping over ARSENIO, who was barking like a dog, as usual. SHARON STONE was on that night, so Mike got hooked. He just had to see it. Monica got upset, but didn't mind when EDDIE VEDDER performed later on.

At the commercial, Mike changed

the station and SISKEL AND EBERT were on and they were giving JURASSIC PARK two thumbs up and FREE WILLY wasn't as popular. A late night BRUINS game was on NESN and Mike thought that was awesome, but Monica thought it was as much fun as watching MADONNA perform. Monica picked up the TV Guide and noticed that a MICHAEL JACKSON concert was on MTV. They definitely were not going to watch that. Too bad it wasn't JANET JACKSON.

Mike changed the channel again and although he hated the show stopped to watch 90210'S SHANNEN DOHERTY was complaining about the new SCHOOL RULES which she thought was totally UNFAIR. They didn't feel like watching her complain again so they decided to watch the SEINFELD SPECIAL. Jerry and Kramer were arguing about who was better Garfield or Odie. When Garfield turned out champion, Mike turned off the TV.

It was pretty late and Mike had to go home. He said goodbye to Monica, but promised to see her the next day.

Holly Flynn, Meghan Mc Sheffrey, and Elaina Parlee



▲ Alexis Troup shows off her new sweater. Sweaters were popular especially those from the Limited. photo by B. Kane.



▲ The right shoes were essential to have the perfect outfit. Popular footwear ranged for sneakers to sandals. photo by McGrath



◀ Jim Farrenkopf concentrates on the game. Although golf is not a very popular sport here at B.H.S., many still showed their interest. photo by McGrath



¶ Letting himself go, Andy Nicklas crowd surfs at a Radiohead concert in Boston. Rough concerts were a common weekend activity for the hold and daring. photo by H. Hack



▲ Thom Yorke, the lead singer for the band Radiohead plays a song in front of a screaming crowd at the Avalon. photo by H. Hack



▲ Moshing bodies move together to the rockin' heat of Radiohead. Flailing feet and arms were a cause of injuries in the packed mosh pits. photo by H. Hack

— Hanging out in her concert tee, Michelle Wagner displays her love of the band Metallica. Heavy metal was a favorite type of music around the concert scene. photo by C. Higgins



Getting dumped on his rump, a faithful fan risks injury to get a closer look at his favorite band. Crowd surfing was a way to get closer to the stage as well as having a blast at a concert. photo by H. Hack



"Hey man, where'd you get that bruise?"

Concerts have taken a drastic turn from the days of old. If one is to fully take part in the total concert experience, then bumps and bruises are an inevitable part of it all. However, it's in good fun. Just ask Danielle Perry whose boyfriend took a tumble at the Lollapalooza concert this July. "He fell off the crowd and broke his collar bone," she exclaimed, "I was pretty scared." Though this was pretty drastic, concert goers do have to watch out for themselves. Just take the They Might Be Giants concert at UMass Amherst. "When I was moshing [a new "dance" involving a lot of jumping and bumping] I got a little too close to the stage," explained senior Mike Moran, "I was bumped by a security guard and fell. I didn't mind though!"

"When I was lifted by the crowd, I fell on my back," stated senior Andy Nichols. "I was sore for a few days."

Another popular summer concert was the Screaming Trees, Soul Asylum, and Spin Doctors tour at Great Woods. "It was pretty wild," recalled senior Matthew O'Gara. "I was hit by sod that was thrown, other than that, I have never been put in any physical danger." Just another example of concert enthusiasm at its finest. "It was weird seeing all the grass ripped up," reminisced Josh Abell. "Even though I was in a seat, I still could still see people I knew being tossed in the pit."

"No one got hurt at the Kiss Concert," announced junior Leanne Gundel who opted for a mellower concert for entertainment. "I mean, people just danced, that's it."

Although the tamer concerts were a big hit with many students, the wilder ones went for the events with the high danger factor. "I was afraid to go in the mosh pit at first, but it was so appealing and exciting looking, I just had to go in. I loved it!" exclaimed sophomore Andrea Markowski, decked out in the typical outfit of moshers: a plaid flannel shirt, Doc Marten boots, and comfy jeans.

Although moshing was an exciting (and sometimes dangerous) aspect of concerts, it was worth it, according to the scores of fans that ventured out into the uncharted world of moshing. Few minded the 20 to 30 dollar ticket fee, knowing that they would have a memorable experience.

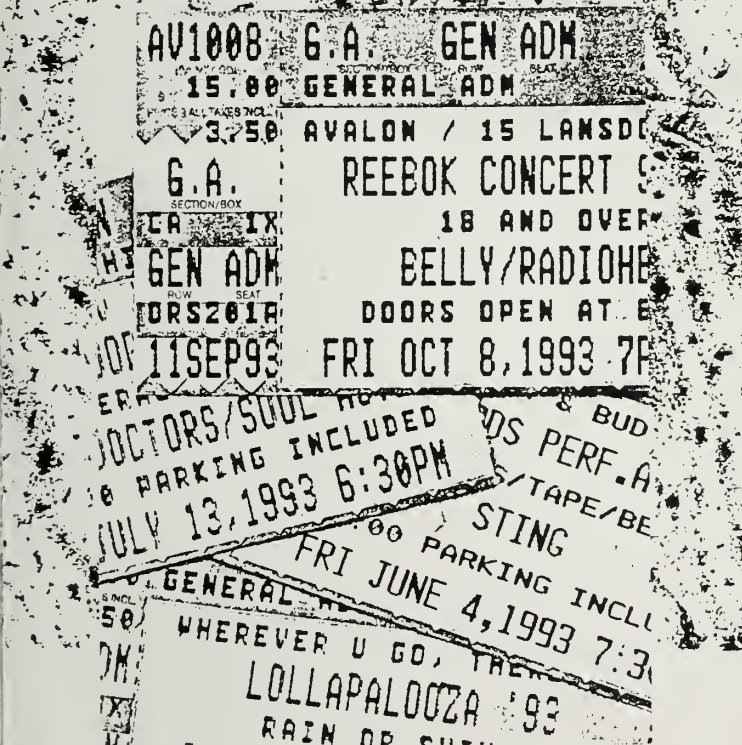
Senior Mike Irving said, "You don't mind, if you know you'll get your money's worth." Bill Walsh, also a senior, agreed, "I don't mind, because sometimes you have a once in a lifetime experience."

Throwing caution to the wind, concert goers risked life and limb to fully experience their favorite bands. Many thought that without moshing or crowd surfing, the "concert experience" would have been inferior.

"Moshing really added to it. Without it, it would have been like being at a Barry Manilow concert," stated senior Brandon Candura.

Well, with all that said . . . LIGHTS, FLANNEL, ACTION!
Ali Monac, Katy Young, and Hale Hack

Concert goers that didn't buy a tee-shirt at a concert hung on to their ticket stubs as a memory of the event. From Sting to Lollapalooza, it's apparent that live shows had wide appeal. photo by H. Hack



What's up...Over there!

Gazing out over an endless span of blue water from 5,000 feet caused knots in the stomachs of students travelling to Europe. Seniors, Julie Morgan, Mark Storms, Ameera Hassan, and junior, Sara Emond, represented the school as members of the U.S. Youth Ensembles Chorus, Band, and Orchestra. Leigh Williams, sophomore, traveled on a soccer tour, representing the USA, and Michael Cuscianna, freshman, and Marisa Agapito, senior, traveled for pleasure with their families.

The Youth Ensembles trip consisted of travel through the Alps of Switzerland, the canals of Venice, the lights of Paris and a small town in Germany. The students stayed in elegant hotels and shared homes with kind local families. They made friendships to last a lifetime. "I've made a new best friend from the trip but she lives in Virginia. It's hard to keep in touch, but we try," quoted Sara Emond. Each country was unique, from snow-capped mountains and cobalt blue lakes in Austria, to the breathless view from the Eiffel Tower. "The lights of Paris at night; it's like a shimmering fairy land that I'll never forget" said Ameera Hassan. The highlight of the trip was the German concert where students from all over displayed their musical talents. As the band and orchestra played, the chorus sang "The Star Spangled Banner". That night, along with the rest of the trip, was never to be forgotten.

Leigh Williams gladly gave up three weeks of his summer to play soccer, representing the USA in Sweden, Denmark, Holland, and Germany. The trip was hard work, training with coaches from Europe and Latin America in the Netherlands, Belgium, Germany and England. Leigh did not mind the hard work involved. The competition was tough, but the training paid off in the semi-finals in Denmark.

Michael Cuscianna accompanied his family to Rome to unwind over the summer. He visited the tunnels of Matera, the town in which his ancestors had lived, and the Coliseum of Rome among other sights. Marisa Agapito also took time off to visit her relatives in Calabria, Italy. She'll never forget the friendships she made that will last her a lifetime. *Monique Trainor and Ameera Hassan*

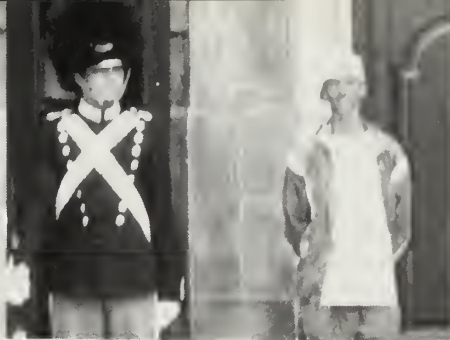


► After a long day of shopping, senior Julie Morgan and friend stop to visit the Eiffel Tower. Even though the trip consisted of many hours of practice, time was made to sightsee parts of Europe. photo by A. Hassan

► Enjoying the fresh night air, Marisa Agapito eats in an outdoor cafe with her family. Summer trips usually meant getting to spend quality time with family. photo by family member



↑ Climbing upon a monument at the Roman Colosseum, freshman Michael Cusianna salutes the city of Rome. photo by Mr. Cusianna



➡ Standing guard with the centre in Copenhagen, Leigh Williams takes time off his strenuous soccer schedule to sightsee. photo by S. Williams

↓ After touring all day, senior Julie Morgan and her new friends stop to show how much they enjoy Germany. Seeing different countries and making new friends along the way was a plus for many travellers. photo by A. Hassan



↑ Michael Cusianna visits the tunnels in Matera, Italy. Students and their families found visiting ancestral homes a special experience. photo by Mr. Cusianna

↑ Taking a break from touring, sophomore Leigh Williams and his sister Stephanie stop in front of a famous fountain in Denmark. Many travellers took photos of historic landmarks to show friends. photo by fellow traveller

► Tim Donovan dozes off while writing out his schedule the first day. Many students found that adjusting to an early wake-up is hard at first. photo by McGrath



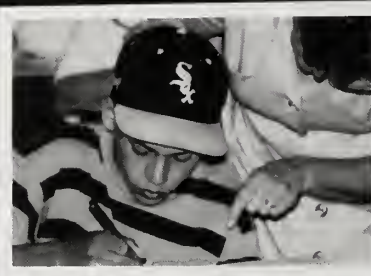
▼ Excited for the first day, freshmen pile off the buses and head for the school. Many students rode the buses or got a ride from their parents. photo by McGrath



▼ On the first day freshmen smile for their first camera shot of the year. Smiling faces filled the halls during the orientation and for the days to follow. photo by McGrath



TO OFFICE
NO SMOKING



▲ Mrs. Welch assists Oliva Cody with his schedule during homeroom. Homeroom teachers always helped out a lot during the first couple of weeks. photo by McGrath

▲ Housemaster Mrs. Spencer gives a Lauren Wakeling freshman directions to her next class. Finding your way around the high school was difficult without a little help photo by McGrath



¶ Gathering his thoughts, Mr. Wassel explains rules and regulations to the freshmen. Much advice was given to freshmen on the first day about the consequences of breaking the rules. photo by McGrath



¶ Freshmen discuss what classes they might share together. Finding out who was in your classes was always an exciting task. photo by McGrath

A Whole New World

A new and exciting adventure, high school! On September 2, over 300 freshmen began the experience. This year, Mr. Wassel came up with the idea of freshmen orientation. This event was added to the traditional back to school formalities.

One day earlier than the upperclassmen, the freshmen and transfer students came to partake in a regular school day, without all the aggravation of the entire student body. Peer Assistants, a group hand picked by Mr. King to help transfer students, took on the new responsibility this year, of helping to run the freshmen orientation.

Students participating in the orientation grew familiar with the building and some school procedures. House Master, Mrs. Spencer commented, "Mr. King and the peer Assistants made Freshmen Orientation a success. Guidance counselor Mr. King recalled, "I was really excited to bring the freshman in early. When Mr. Wassel and Mrs. Spencer asked me to have the peer assistants help out, I was glad to let them take part in it. It was well run and well recieved. In my opinion this program definitely should be continued."

Junior Katie Durfee, a transfer student, stated, "I really thought an orientation, the day before was a good idea. It let me see how big the school is and how everything works. I'm glad I went." Another transfer student, senior Terrence Flynn, explained, "I'm glad I came here. Everyone was really nice and made being a transfer student easy. I thought the peer assistants did a good job showing us around and helping with the schedule."

Freshman, Michael Cuscianna, observed, "the freshman orientation was so much fun! I really enjoyed the Peer Assistants presentation. I'm glad they had it because I feel it helped me to really see what goes on." Another freshman, Brian Wilcox expressed, "The schedule really baffled me at first. One time I went to the wrong class and from time to time, I still have trouble with my locker." Hearing many freshmen first day stories, the upperclassmen empathized and did their best to help out.

Peer Assistant, Stephanie Porter stated, "I was really pleased that Mr. King asked the Peer Assistants to run the orientation. Even though we were required to help the underclassmen, out I would do it anyway because I would have appreciated it when I was a freshman."

The orientation lasted through a full school day. It involved: showing students their homerooms, classes, and a thorough review of the new handbook. Freshmen definitely experienced a new world when they came to the high school for their first time. *Denise Brown, Kerry McDermott, and Jocelyn Stapleton*



Exchanging Words

Look out, here they come! Last September, visitors arrived from Spain as part of an exchange program. The program involved Spanish kids who came to America to stay with a family and go to school with a student.

Of course, coming from Spain, there were bound to be some changes. "It's very big here. In Spain the schools are much smaller," Christine Ruiz said. "We don't have lockers in Spain, we stay in a classroom."

Many students speculated on what the Spanish kids would be like. How would they dress? What would they act like? "I thought they would look like us, but maybe dress a little different," Julie Jolliemore said. When they did arrive, everyone was curious to see them. How different were they? "There's really no big difference in the kids," Mano del Malino Matamala said.

When it came to common interests, both Spanish and American kids agreed. "I love U2 and R.E.M.," Raquel Pascual Pena said. The Spanish kids liked American movies too. "I loved The Body Guard. Kevin Costner is cool." They all started laughing and smiling at the mention of his name. "We all love Kevin Costner, but my favorite movie is The City Of Joy."

Coming to America had its advantages and a few disadvantages. Raquel said, "I miss going to clubs. We can drink and smoke in Spain, but we can't get our license until we're eighteen." Vanesa Menendez said with a big smile on her face, "I love the people here!" "I love New York. It's a very big city." New York was a popular city among the students.

The students enjoyed visiting, but they missed being home with their families, too. "I really liked having my student stay with me. It was an experience," Ann Cantwell said. Sophomore Tara Vautour related a funny experience with her student. "My student liked to shop with her friends. We were kicked out of the Levi's factory because she brought fifteen pairs of pants into the dressing room, when three was the limit."

Talking to a student of a different language was challenging. "Sometimes it was difficult, but we were able to cope. We mostly spoke Spanglish," Tara said. "Visiting in a different country can be a learning experience. She learned you can't drink and smoke here."

Having an exchange student was both an educational and social experience. It was something that both American and Spanish kids would remember forever. Keri Sherlock, Nancy Stack



Socializing in the cafeteria are Cristina Ruiz Vega and Karin Roberts. Spanish students enjoyed to talk to american kids. photo by McGrath

Spanish students give their final farewells before heading back home. It was sad to see them go. photo by Ryan Preus



▲ As Anne Cantwell laughs, Ana Barbara shys away from the camera. Spanish students often enjoyed visiting American classrooms. photo by McGrath



▲ Raquel Pascual Pena gets confused as Jeff Pearlstein gives her directions. Braintree High School was a difficult place to get around. photo by McGrath



▲ Smiling for the camera are Raquel Pasoual Pena, Efie Kadaras, and Tara Fallon. Making friends with the Spanish students was an enjoyable part of the program. photo by McGrath



← Cecilia Hernandez Vigilano happily rides the bus to school with her host. photo by McGrath



† Sophomore, Ben Randall lends a helping hand, with his youth group, First Congregational Church, collecting food for the needy. Many students participated in community events helping others over the summer. photo by Rev. Ripley



† Angela Nuss, a sophomore, is getting ready to ship the food to the shelters. People volunteered to drive the food to the different shelters across the south shore. photo by Rev Ripley



† Lauren Richenburg, a junior, directs Scott Killion, a leader of the Junior High fellowship, to the correct food boxes. Food drives were often a big contribution from different fellowships and youth groups. photo by Rev. Ripley

➤ At the First Baptist Church in Wollaston, Matt Fuccillo, sophomore, volunteers his time to sand and repaint the guardrail. Teenagers helped out with work that the parish priests were unable to do. photo by Pastor



† Wielding a paint brush from 8-4, freshman Brian Thompson, paints a tool shed at First Baptist Church in Wollaston. Brian had been involved in scouting for four years. photo by scout leader



↑ Matt Eckleman helps his friend, senior Frank Westberg plant flowers on the church grounds. This was one of the many volunteer projects done by the Eagle Scouts. photo by Pastor



↑ Maureen Deroma, a sophomore, is sorting food for the food drive as the First Congregational Church collects all they can get for the hungry. First Congregational's organized efforts were hard work but a lot of fun. photo by Rev. Ripley

All For One, One For All

Imagine spending your precious early Saturday morning cleaning a park or working on a food drive. Activities of the members of the First Congregational Church youth group participated in these and many other community projects.

Helping others was a way of showing one cared. Youth groups and community service groups were two types of organizations that helped to feed the hungry and to shelter the homeless. Youth groups helped out in anyway they could when it came to the needy. Many youth groups, like First Congregational and St. Francis that had made differences in others lives, by either giving money, clothes, food, or all three.

"It makes you feel good to help people who aren't as lucky as you", explained sophomore, Brian Thompson. The youth group was mainly interested in helping out people by holding tremendous food drives. They also raised money to sponsor trips for the spring.

"Everyone should be in a youth group. We all can't wait to go to Florida. The trips are so much fun and they bring people closer together," Taylor Sturtevant, sophomore, said.

Another group that frequently volunteered work was the Girl Scouts. Melissa Bestick, sophomore, was a member of the Braintree chapter. "We sponsored a spook walk through Pond Meadow Park for the family partnership program. It was nice to see families having fun together. This is my tenth year. I have a lot of fun." Melissa Bestick replies. The Girl Scout troop also worked with surrounding towns to clean up Wallaston beach.

Angela Nuss, a sophomore, is a member of the new Interact Club. "I do service to help the community and to get to know others better."

The Interact Club, which includes over 101 countries worldwide is into "serious fun". They served the farewell dinner to the Spanish exchange students, held a barbeque for the elderly at the Council on aging, and helped out at the Braintree food pantry once a month. "It's hard work, but it's fun because you are with your friends," Angela Nuss remarked.

Community service was not restricted to youth groups, and volunteers of all ages liked to know they made a difference in someone's life. ...So what are you doing in your free time?? *Ali Monac, Bonnie Jordan*



I'd Rather Be ...

A chin resting on a hand, eyes unfocused on a blank wall but with a look of excitement and smug satisfaction. This daydreamer relived the previous weekend's sporting events while sitting in class. Students pursued a wide variety of individual sports, street hockey, dirt biking, skating, skiing, waterskiing, hiking and rollerblading. Students were involved in many out of school sports, as well as quieter hobbies.

Students pursued hobbies on the weekends, like sophomore, Mike Hess. "I like to ride my Honda XR200 dirt bike all over. For example, the pits in Stoughton, Mile Standish in Plymouth, and also the reservoir in Randolph on weekends. I like getting away from everything and seeing the beautiful scenery."

Students' hobbies were limited by the seasons. Freshman Jeannine Palingo commented, "I would love to ski all year round, but unfortunately it only snows in the winter." Jeannine remarked, "I love the feeling of speeding down the mountain with the wind blowing through my hair. I haven't always had the best of luck. Once when I was skiing in New Hampshire, I went down a closed trail and tumbled down ten feet of the mountain. My skis took off down the rest of the way."

Sophomore, Bill Morley enjoyed waterskiing in his spare time. "I love to waterski in the summer. The thrill of landing new moves gets my adrenalin pumping. I've had some bad experiences though. Once I tried to do a flip and I landed on my head and sprained my knee." Bill continued to waterski because of the excitement.

Freshman Shannon Keefe, a member of the Commonwealth Figure Skating Club in Randolph, was not limited by the weather. "I like the feeling of accomplishment when I land a move I've been working on for a long time. Skating is not as limited because the rink is open almost all year."

Some students enjoyed self motivating activities. Freshman Kelley Grey stated, "I enjoy reading mystery stories by Christopher Pike and R.L. Stine. The mystery and suspense is what attracts me the most. Reading is something I can do alone and when it's quiet."

The desire to participate in out of school activities was very strong; however, most had to try to balance school, part time jobs and to enjoy their hobbies. *Lynne Belyea and Shelly Lyons*

Performing in one of her favorite sports, sophomore Holly Flynn prepares to throw her flag. Even though color guard was not known by many, the competition was fierce. photo by guard member



Keeping the ball away from the opposite team, freshman Mike Pope rushes towards the goal. While playing, students can forget about the worries of their day. photo by Mrs. Mawn



▼ Waiting for a pass from fellow teammate, Bill Burke, freshman Larry Mawn tries to score off goalie, Ricky McCarthy. Students looked forward to these after school games more than anything. photo by Mrs. Mawn



◀ As the ball arrives at his side, Senior Jim Koopman prepares to return the serve. Many students enjoyed playing sports in their spare time. photo by Chris Higgins



▼ Waiting for their turn at competition, sophomores Holly Flynn, Kim Reeves, and Sara Frazier stand in pose. A guard could not compete without signal from judges. photo by guard member



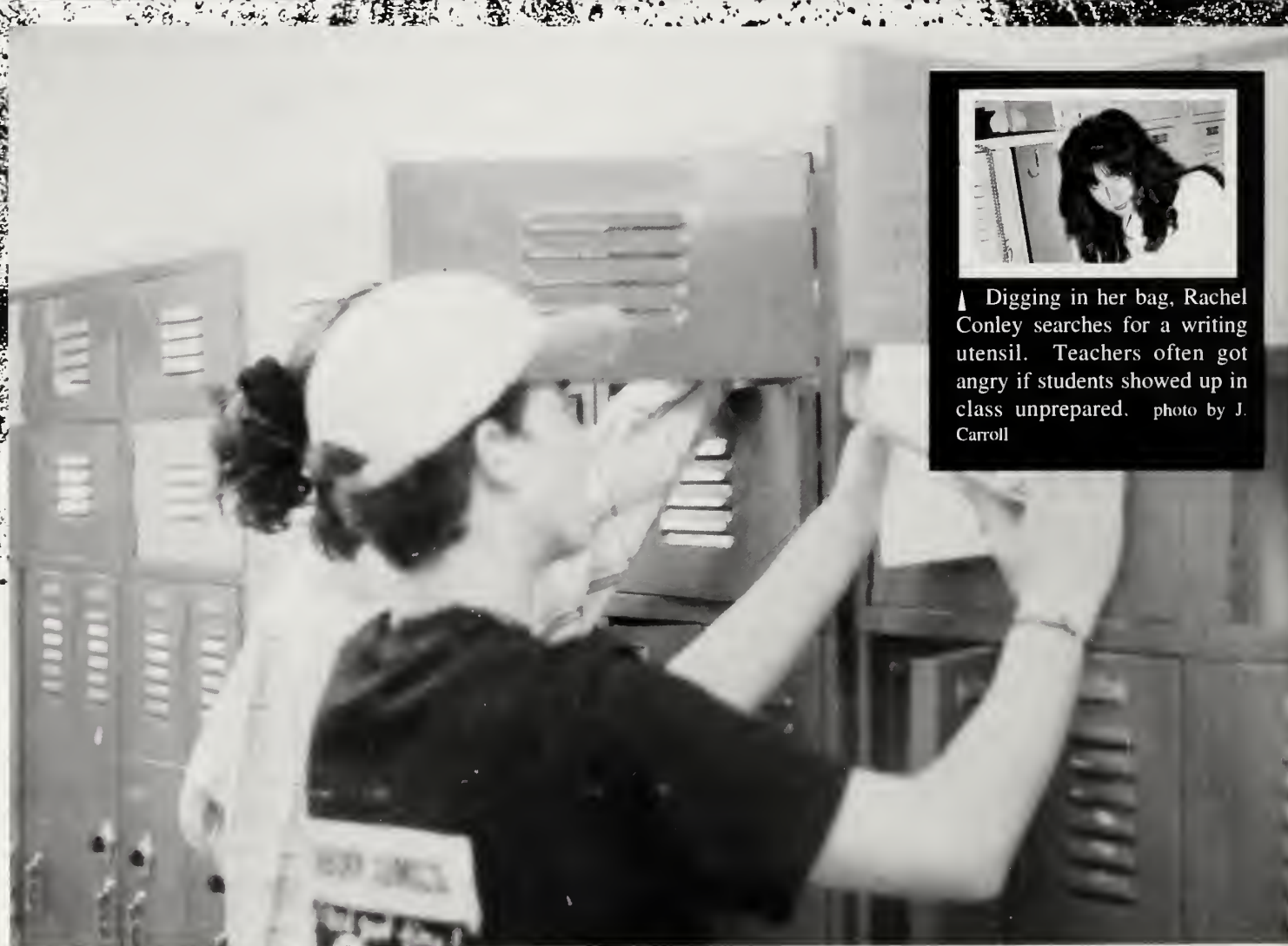
▼ Hobbies, such as cooking, are a common activity for students. Junior, Brian Harrison enjoyed cooking in his extra time. photo by parent



► Found it! Sophomore Matt Fuccillo has located what he was looking for, amidst his other books and book bag. photo by J. Carroll

▼ Sophomore, Sherrie Jordan is looking in her locker as her best friend, sophomore Karen Proto, closes it in a hurry to get to class on time. Friends often shared lockers together as did Sherrie and Karen. photo by McGrath

▼ Pulling out the notebook he needs, junior Brian Holmes tries to keep the ones he doesn't need from falling on the floor. Most students had too much stuff to fit into one locker. photo by J. Carroll



▲ Digging in her bag, Rachel Conley searches for a writing utensil. Teachers often got angry if students showed up in class unprepared. photo by J. Carroll

Senior Bill Walsh gets his books before heading off to class. Top sections of lockers were a convenient space to keep books and other essentials. photo by J. Carroll





"It's In My Locker"

Lockers: the supreme model of conformity. Hundreds of identical steel boxes, lined walls and stood in sections throughout the building. A great asset to students because of their reliability. Students never had to worry about jackets, bags or extra books; they just left them in their lockers. Homework assignments were often lost in the depths of a locker, only to reappear during the ever-popular locker cleanout. Lockers often took the blame when homework failed to show up.

"It's in my locker."

Many a teacher heard this infamous reply when collecting homework.

Most of the time lockers were dependable. The other times the occasional jammed door could cost students valuable time in getting to class and yelling or kicking the door never seemed to make it open any faster. Some combinations worked one day and not the next. Good or bad, a few students gave their thoughts as to what they liked about their lockers and what they would do to improve upon them.

"I like the fact that my locker is near my classes," stated Wayne Longabard, senior. He added that his locker was convenient because, "I don't have to carry all my books around." When asked about improving his locker, the choice was simple: wallpaper them.

Ben Cash, sophomore, said that his locker was a good place to keep "my books, my coat and empty milk cartons." He was also pleased that his locker was in perfect working order. To improve his locker, he stated, "I'd have one locker that was five lockers wide." This would be a great solution to give each student more space in crowded locker sections.

Triangle-shaped lockers were the kind senior Chris Ford would have liked to have had. "I'd also have it outside next to my parking spot." The one aspect he liked about his present locker was that, "I don't have to bring all my books home."

Lockers may not have been perfect, but they did their job. They held books, they held jackets, and they held the occasional milk carton. As far as building the perfect locker, the answer was yet to be found. The ideal would probably not be reached any time soon, but, in the meantime, who knows? A little wallpaper couldn't hurt. *Michael Cusack*

◀ What's behind Door Number One? Kate McDonough and Melissa Ruozzi, both sophomores, sneak a peek inside a locker. photo by J. Carroll

◀ Sophomore James Alves makes a locker visit in an otherwise barren section. Injured students were allowed to leave class a few minutes early to beat the between-class rush. photo by J. Carroll



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Sit back, grab some popcorn and enjoy... Students did just that in record numbers. The new cinema was an improvement from the small four movie theater, to the Big Ten movie theater. An increased selection of food and beverage choices added to viewer enjoyment, and a larger facility with an increased volume of sales added hours of employment for students looking for work. Many students worked hard at the new cinema.

Many changes appeared in the new cinema, such as the quality and sound of the movies being shown. For example, junior Danielle Colantonio, an employee at the Big Ten commented, "There is more variety of movie choices and food selections that the other cinema did not have."

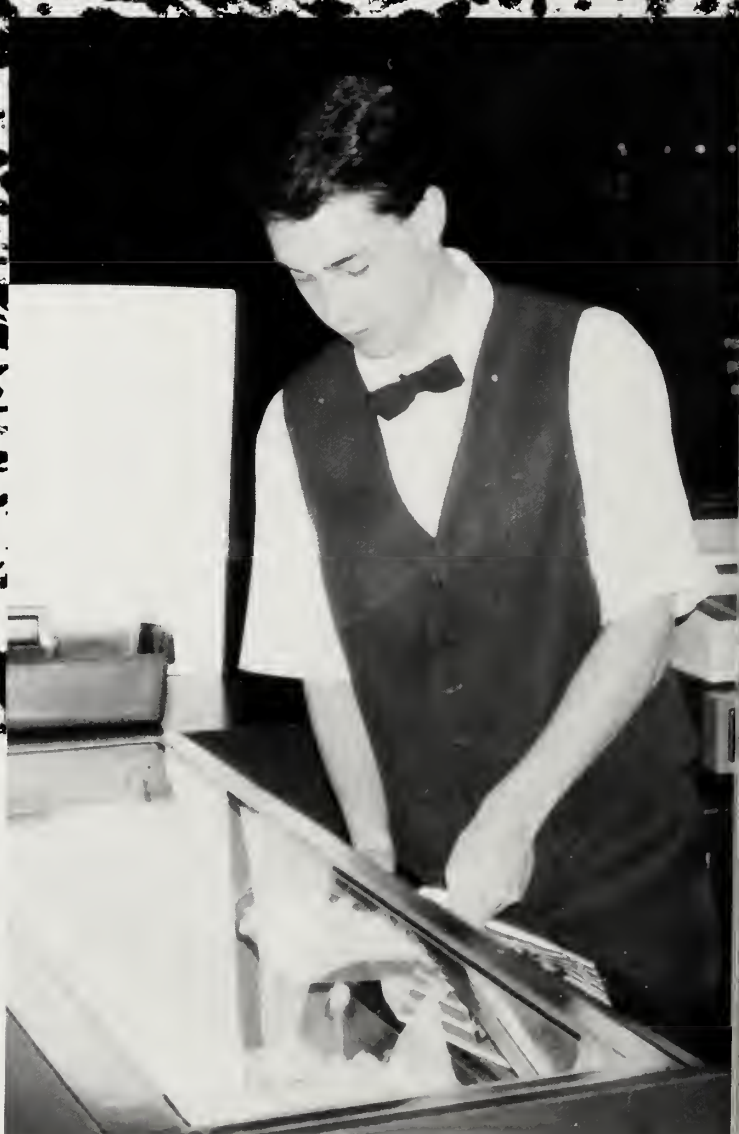
The new movie theater is a lot bigger and is also in a different location. Despite more available parking, cars are still fighting to get out, which causes traffic jams. One of the better changes was the food selection, now they offered a fast food, Taco Bell stand. Although this sounded good to most students, senior, Darren Scartissi said, "It's a great idea, now you have more than just popcorn and candy to choose from." Then again, senior, Nick Beniot disapproved, "The Taco Bell stand is stupid. You are obligated to buy two things, not just one." Another change was the price of the beverages and popcorn. According to senior, Eric Diauto, "Two dollars for a small Coke is unreal." The changes from the old cinema to the new cinema had its ups and downs, but it was still a great place to enjoy a movie.

Many people believe moving and expanding the cinema was a great idea. This now made available many more jobs, especially for some high school students. Working at a movie theater might sound easy, but, according to senior, Danielle DeLucca, an employee, "It's hard, because at the end of the night, we do a great deal of clean up." Then again it does have its employment benefits. An employee, junior Danielle Colantonio explains, "It is cool because, you get at least five free movie passes a week, and some free food."

Moving the theater was beneficial to the town of Braintree. This move brought more people to the town to explore all of the other great places this town offered. The Big Ten now brought more recognition into Braintree. Once again this was a great idea for everyone. See you at the movies!!!

Leanne Gundel and Steve Furness

Allicia Morley and Kerri Diauto discuss financial matter while making change. Dealing with purchases and large amounts of money was the responsibilities of all cinema employees. photo by S. Furness



Paul Kelly scoops a bag of popcorn for an awaiting customer. Most movie-goers could not stand seeing a film without a bag of popcorn. photo by S. Furness



▲ Alicia Morley and Kerri Diauto take a break from their hard day at work. Sitting outside in the sunshine, after being in the dark was a welcomed change. photo by S. Furness



▲ Alicia Morley and a co-worker enjoy a free minute at work. Despite long hours, good times could be had while working with new friends. photo by S. Furness



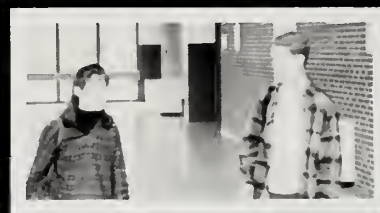
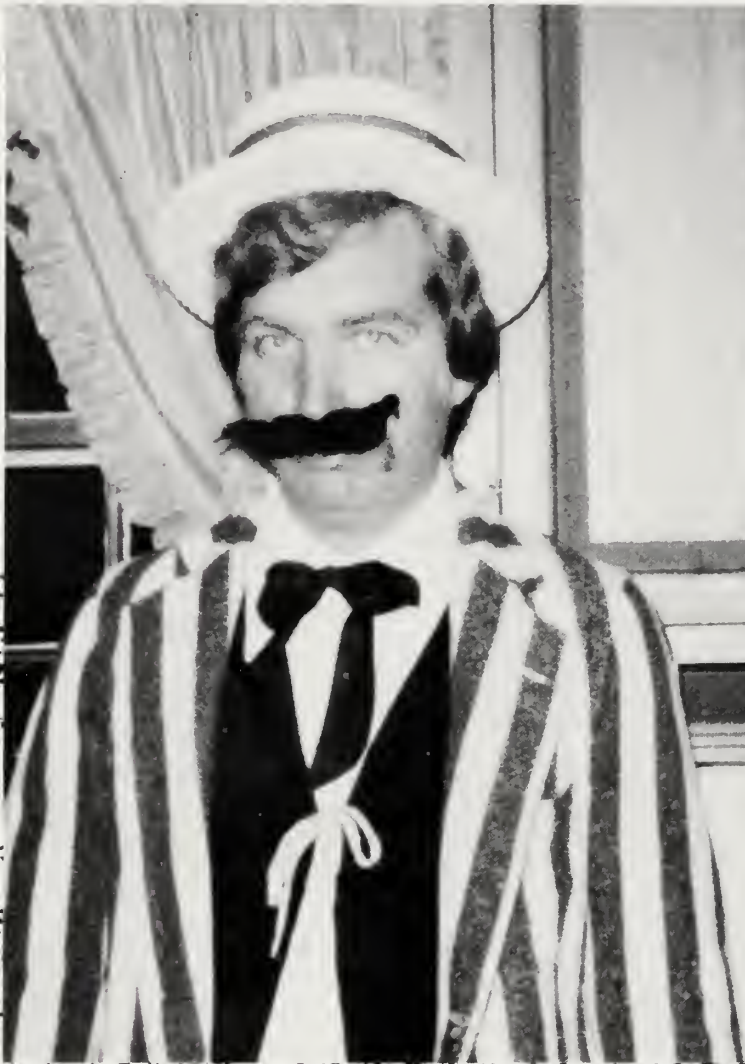
▲ Kerri Diauto pours a soda while working at the concession stand. High food and ticket prices did not repel the large number of students who visited Braintree 10. photo by S. Furness



► The newest November releases are posted outside the cinema. With 10 theaters, there was always a movie worth seeing. photo by S. Furness



Since they didn't know what to do on a Friday night, Janice and Bob King dress up in costumes from the 20's -but it wasn't Halloween. photo by family member



Junior, Chris Manning and freshman, Jill Manning enjoy a laugh in the hallway. Going to school with an older sibling eased the fright of a new school. photo by B. Kane



Even though mothers tend to be embarrassing, Lauren Hanscom learned that moms could also be good friends. photo by family member

Going to school with a sibling can be embarrassing. Sisters Erin and Julie Stacuzzi found that out when they both came to school wearing the same shirt. photo by C. Higgins



Although families can sometimes be embarrassing, they are great to have around to share special moments. Junior, Liz Mawn is shown around her family's native country, Ireland, by her cousins. photo by family member





NO! Those Aren't My Parents!

Why can't Mom and Dad grow up? Parents, though well intentioned, embarrassed their teenagers frequently and unmercifully. Many students refused to travel places or be seen with their parents, in fear that they would cause much embarrassment.

Everyone has suffered from embarrassing moments, but when parents get involved, the situation deteriorates quickly. Althea Stephens, a junior explained, "Whenever my boyfriend picks me up, my mother asks him twenty questions, like what time we'll be home and exactly where we are going. She is so embarrassing."

Some people are just embarrassed by the sheer presence of their parents. Sheri Bonaglia agreed, "My mother works in the school cafeteria - enough said." Others felt embarrassed by what a parent said or did. Junior Marie Strydom exclaimed, "My mother has started to say things like, 'That's wicked cool.' Coming from her, it sounds really weird."

Other students seemed to think that siblings, brothers or sisters, were more embarrassing. Remembering the embarrassment her brother caused her, Amy Lydon revealed, "My annoying brother Adam, hangs up on my friends, betrays my privacy, and thinks he's a God among men. Talk about embarrassing!"

How did people avoid those embarrassing moments? Junior, Stefanie D'Ambrosio advised, "Pretend that you do not even know them." Lindsey McHugh, also a Junior, added "Deny, deny, deny, that's the key." But, these situations were never truly avoided.

One student, Brendan Burke, claimed he was never embarrassed by his family, "I embarrass them, they don't embarrass me. My mother was horrified when she learned that I intended to run for Homecoming Queen." Whether or not students are embarrassed by their family, they all agreed that after a while they learned to cope. Leo Hart added, "We all evolved from an embarrassing situation, why avoid them now." *Kate Rogan and Nicole Toma*

◀ Sherrie Jordan laughs at her sister Bonnie's sunburn. Teasing and poking fun was often a valued yet sometimes annoying part of having a sister. photo by family member

◀ Gretchen Stevens laughs at her sister Jen's crazy plaid combinations upon entering school on "Plaid Day." Siblings that went to school together had to deal with being embarrassed by each other. photo by C. Higgins



Fitness Fever

Cheeseburgers, tacos, potato puffs...these were just a few of the choices available to students, making it difficult for them to resist the temptations of junk food and eat healthily. Despite the struggle, many students were still able to watch what they ate and have a nutritious diet. Junior Brian Harrison asserted, "Once in a while I cut down on fat and calories so I'll stay healthy. But, I always eat until I'm full." Some students did not take their diets as seriously as others. When asked if he watched what he ate, Josh Abell joked, "Yes, because sometimes I miss my mouth!" This reflected his relaxed opinion of good nutrition.

Besides watching what they ate, students tried to be physically fit as well. Many students had a daily workout to keep in good shape and improve their athletic abilities. Students chose different ways to stay in shape. "I bench and I do the butterfly machine, military presses, curls, squats, and calf raises to elevate my jumping abilities," revealed Junior Omar Raiss. Some students participated in physical activities such as aerobics and dancing, which they found were a good way to have fun and stay healthy.

Despite most students' feelings that it was important to stay in shape and be healthy, most agreed that that it was possible to take it too far. Junior P.J. Sulla contributed, "Some people limit their diets too much and that can be unhealthy." People generally agreed that it was necessary to be somewhat healthy, but it would be bordering on unhealthy to let nutrition run your life. All in all, students agreed that it was good to be healthy, but once in a while, a little junk food wasn't bad! *John Gilbert and Lindsay McHugh*



► A dream came true for senior Erin Short, who met her inspiration and idol, Lynn Jennings, after the Tufts 10K. Many people stayed in shape by competing in various races and marathons. photo by K. Draper

► Yum! Juniors, Renee Jackson and Allison Sampson "dig in" at a birthday party that was held with lots of chips and burgers. It was hard to avoid delicious junk food at parties for these girls. photo by R. Preus

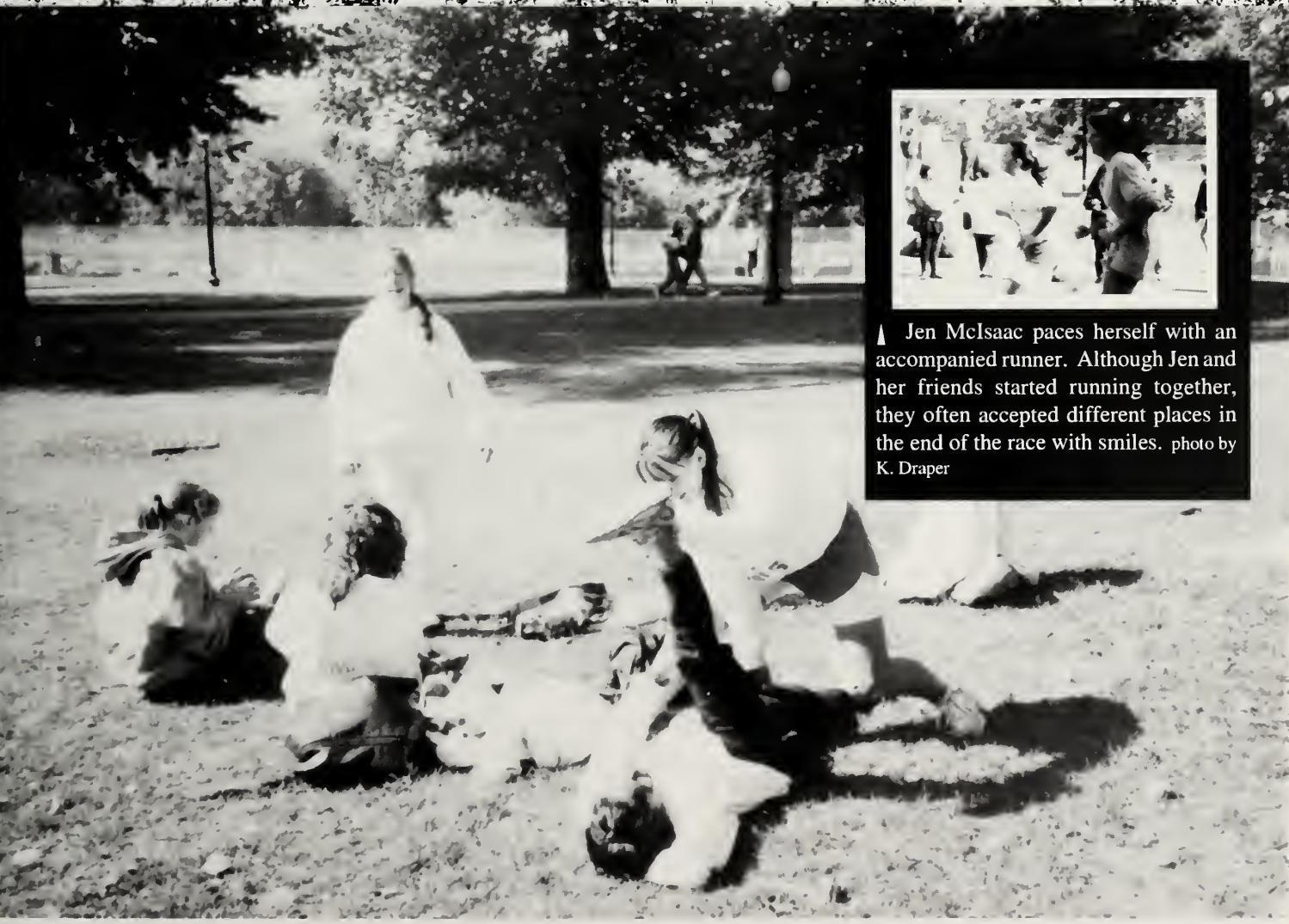


! Almost there! Carolyn Herzog runs for the finish line with a look of relief on her face. Finishing the race was an accomplishment for many people and a dissapointment for others. photo by K. Draper



! Angela DeFrancisco and Michelle Lang, both juniors, enjoy their time to rest before the race while getting themselves set to run. Getting enough rest before a race was important so people could keep up with the other runners and try their hardest. photo by K. Draper

! Junior Michelle Lang and sophomore Amy Patel show off their running skills while the spectators wait to see who comes in first. Winning wasn't everything to Michelle and Amy but it would be nice. photo by K. Draper



! Jen McIsaac paces herself with an accompanied runner. Although Jen and her friends started running together, they often accepted different places in the end of the race with smiles. photo by K. Draper

! Getting loose, Tara Fallon, Michelle Lang, Angela Defrancesco, Amy Patel, Jen McIsaac, and Carolyn Herzog all stretch before the 10K race. Being with their friends while getting in shape was important to these girls. photo by K. Draper



► Lighting the Chanukah menorah, Meredith Karll, junior, celebrates the "festival of lights." photo by R. Karll

▼ Smiling with Halloween spirit., freshman Kate McAllister, is ready to go out and trick or treat. photo by parent



▼ "Trick or treat, give me something good to eat." Junior Chris Jamele created this papermache mask in art class. photo by J. Carroll



▲ Showing off her talent, freshman Danielle Kehoe, displays a cake she baked for a friend's birthday. Students liked celebrating birthdays just as much as Christmas and Easter. photo by B.King



Surprised on Christmas morning, Melissa Sweeney opens her presents and finds what she has been awaiting. photo by parent



Giving in to preholiday excitement, Sarah Shuwairi impulsively rearranges the ornaments on a department store display before the manager notices. photo by sister

Family, Friends, Festivities

Whether dressing up for Halloween, finding one's Christmas stocking or dying Easter eggs all holidays were a time when families united.

Most students just couldn't wait for the first snowflake to fall or the first day of December, meaning only twenty four more days until Christmas. Christmas, a time when families gathered and shared laughter, was one of the favorite holidays. Freshman Toni Toy commented, "I like spending quality time with my family. Christmas is a time of the year when I see all of my relatives." Freshman Brain McDonald mentioned, "This Thanksgiving we are having so many people to dinner, my mom is cooking a turkey and a pheasant."

Aside from visiting relatives and exchanging gifts, many students liked decorating and helping with food preparations. Freshman Danielle Kehoe remarked "I like to help my family decorate by putting up the lights and picking out the Christmas tree. I also help my mother prepare the food, like the apple pie."

Choosing between all the holiday dishes spread on the table could be a tough decision. Freshman Sean Keller stated "I like the holidays, because there is so much food to choose from, I enjoy eating everything." The Christmas season seemed to be the most elaborately celebrated holiday of the year.

When Spring rolled around, students enjoyed Easter and Passover activities such as dying Easter eggs, Easter egg hunts, finding the baskets left by the Easter bunny, and dressing up in their new spring clothes. Freshman Sharyn Kane observed, "I like waking up on Easter Sunday morning and hunting for the hidden eggs. The most unusual place that I have ever found an egg was behind the toilet seat cover at my grandparents house." Freshman Jordan Grow remarked, "I love having to hunt for my Easter basket. It's such a great feeling waking up and knowing that it is a race between my brother and I to see who can get to their Easter basket first." Others took part in Passover. Mrs. Sollogub remarked "I like celebrating Passover with my family because it's a time when we can celebrate a festive meal together. We read the Haggadah during the Seder meal, eat from special plates and the youngest child asks the four questions. We also get to eat Matzo crackers instead of bread all week." Meredith Karl, junior, remarked, "Since fasting isn't something I'm used to doing, it's fun to try it. I really look forward to the feast at the end of the day."

Students enjoyed holidays through many different traditions whether with family or family friends. Holidays do indeed draw people together in a warm glow of celebration. *Lynne Belyea, Krista Sweeney*



Rally 'Round the Wamp!

Oh, my ears! The noise exploding from the gym during the Homecoming pep rally got everyone psyched for the weekend to come. The banners displayed in the gym foyer made by each club, team, and class were an addition to Spirit Week from previous years.

All banners showed Braintree pride, but a panel of judges selected the Cheer-Dance Team banner as the best. It depicted an ecstatic cheerleader with actual pompoms and a yarn ponytail.

"I really liked the sophomore class banner," exclaimed sophomore Carol McIntyre. "I helped make it and all our hands turned blue from tie-dyeing it!" All banners remained hung for the remainder of the year after Spirit Week.

Amusing events took place at the rally itself. Junior Brendan Burke commented, "Bo Marini was trying to dance in the stands, but it just looked like he was convulsing in pain!" Sophomore Jim Farrenkopf recalled a funny scene as well, "The kid sitting next to me had glitter dumped all over him. It was so funny!"

The seniors won a tough decision about which class had the most school spirit during the week. They stood out because, according to junior Mike Crispin, "they wanted to make the most their last year." Also, most seniors participated in the week's dress-up days, demonstrating their intense school spirit.

"Dressing up showed that seniors actually liked to do things to display school spirit," remarked senior Danielle Perry. "We all went crazy wearing the assigned clothes. Some students really looked goofy, which just added to the week." Abbie Cotton and Tony Petryko showed enough spirit to be voted Ms. and Mr. Spirit Week.

"I just dressed up for fun," stated Mr. Spirit Week. "I got a lot of funny looks, but that didn't matter to me. I had a blast!"

Arranging the seating so sports teams sat together increased spirit. Junior, Renee Jackson agreed that sitting in teams gave the rally more spirit, "The section I sat in had the girls' soccer team and the seniors. We were the rowdiest and loudest out of everyone!" Emphasizing team and school spirit countered attitudes that the rally was just for football players.

"Last year, I felt that the whole rally was about football. Although this year football was a big part of the rally, everyone got involved, which made it better," stated senior Mary Ellen McDonagh, girls' cross-country captain.

The band and cheerleaders played an important role in getting students fired up. The band, especially, made the rally exciting. "I liked the band, it kept everything moving and got everyone going," said sophomore Bill Morley.

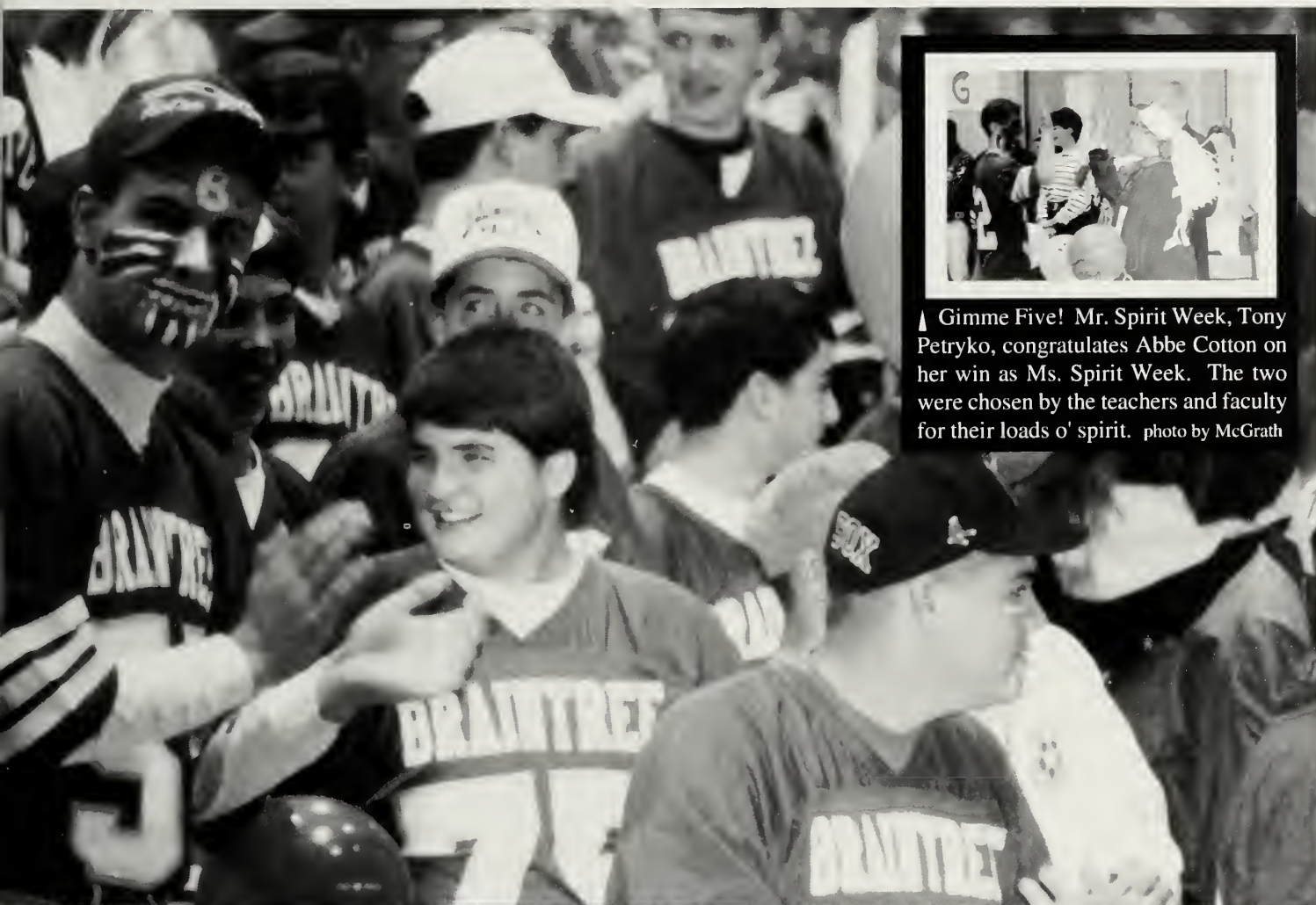
The pep rally, and Spirit Week in general, brought the school closer together. The banners, dress-up days, team spirit as well as all-around student spirit created a sense of togetherness that did not fade even after the last painted face left the gym. *Ali Monac and Katy Young*

¶ Radiating spirit, the "Wamps" prepare for the yearly jaunt around the track at the football game. Chris Grugan, Mike Cuddy, and Chris Higgins filled the job nicely. photo by McGrath



▲ Concentrating intently, Althea Stevens holds a mount during the cheerleaders' routine. All their hard work payed off with a spectacular performance. photo by McGrath

Members of the football team show their school spirit by cheering on the captains of the other fall sports. The rally has become a tribute to all of the fall sports, not just the football team. photo by McGrath



▲ Gimme Five! Mr. Spirit Week, Tony Petryko, congratulates Abbe Cotton on her win as Ms. Spirit Week. The two were chosen by the teachers and faculty for their loads o' spirit. photo by McGrath



▲ Mike Cuddy, does a jig to the music at the Homecoming football game. These decorative get-ups reminded students of their mascot. photo by McGrath



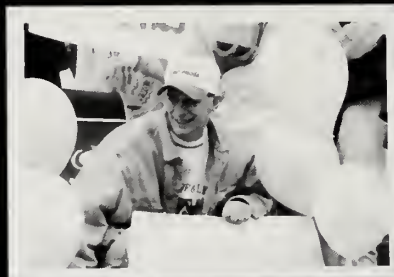
▲ Hurling himself on a pile of Varsity football players, Matt Nichols helps to crush a "Milton opponent". This skit got them pumped up to take on the real opposition. photo by McGrath



— And the band played on! The impressive school band produced a groovin' beat that many danced to at the Homecoming football game the following day. photo by McGrath



▼ The freshmen are really lifting people's spirits not only for the game, but for the fall season. Their float was very creative and made a spectacular appearance.
photo by C. Higgins



▲ John Froio holds up a comical sign showing how the seniors felt about college admittance. Seniors tried to laugh about the stress they were under.
photo by C. Higgins



▲ Seniors Erin Hanks, Nancy Lyons, and Jen Early get prepared to show their excitement on the senior float. Painting their faces was a tradition for many students on occasions such as spirit week and the Homecoming parade. photo by C. Higgins

► Trying to spread the word that teens shouldn't drink and drive, the SADD club of Braintree High rides proudly on their float. They showed an awful lot of spirit and excitement as they expressed their goal to get through to today's teens. photo by C. Higgins



▲ Homecoming nominees, Jen Akoury, Sara Anderson, and Marisa Federico nervously await the big day. The nominees usually sat in convertibles for the parade. photo by C. Higgins





Spirits Soar

Parades are an exciting way of showing school spirit as the tradition goes on before the big Homecoming football game. There was nothing better than starting the event filled day at a parade with fellow students. Fans cheered with soaring spirits as marchers paraded throughout the streets expressing their school spirit. With the excitement of the fans, the marchers tried not to get confused while concentrating on their steps.

With spirit week building up to this special day, nothing could compare with this school's excited supporters and fans cheering the parade on towards a great game, with the conclusion of a night of enchantment. The creativity of the floats fascinated all of the viewers. "They all came out fantastic, but my favorite was our junior class float because this class has a lot of spirit. That's why our float came out the best!" replies junior Shannon Heine, captain of the Cheer-Dance team. There weren't any problems with the parade, everything went smoothly. "Besides the rain, it turned into a fabulous day with exciting events," declared freshman Stacey Durfee. Exciting events included the famous parade, the tradition of the football game, and the elegant dance itself, all followed the loud but exciting Pep rally.

Not only did the parade show the enthusiastic excitement of our school, but it made a lot of students proud like senior Jen Early, "I had friends in the parade and being up there with them made me realize that my senior year in high school is a big part of my life." Although not many people weren't proud of the senior float, a lot of seniors were there to cheer for their float and show how exciting it is to finally be a senior. "I am happy to be a senior and I think I should show excitement for my class, seeing how it is my last year in high school and I know that I won't see most of these people after graduation," replies Hale Hack.

After all of the excitement of the Annual Homecoming pep-rally, parade and the football game most students went home and spent hours getting ready for the big dance. The dance was the glamorous part of the week, when students wore suits and dresses, not face paint.

After a successful week, the dance ended it with smiles. Many students went out for a fancy dinner with their friends and their dates. "This was a year to remember!" exclaims Erin Trainor with a huge smile. *Bonnie Jordan and Katie Durfee*

◀ Showing their school spirit, Katie Drew, Abby Christopher, Kristen Draper, and Gina Testa ride through the parade on the senior float. There were many students who loved to show BHS pride. photo by C. Higgins

◀ Senior Matt O'Gara lets his Indian side shine through, as he leads the senior float through the mist and clouds. Although the weather was not perfect, students like Matt made the parade a great success. photo by C. Higgins



It's A Jungle In There!

Walking in from the freezing cold rain and wind, students at Homecoming entered an exotic jungle and prepared for one of the most memorable nights of the year.

Most students evenings got off to a rocky start because of the bad weather. "'Because of the rain and wind my velvet dress got ruined and my hair frizzed before the dance! It was awful!'", complained Junior Marie Strydom. The rain put a damper on plans for after the dance as well. Junior Brian Harrison explained, "I almost froze to death because my driver was late after the dance. I gave my date my jacket to be polite, but that didn't help me much!"

However, once students arrived at the dance, the bad weather, messed hair-do's, and wet dresses were forgotten. Students were ready to dance the night away to a variety of music from rap, to country ("the Achy-Breaky"), to old favorites like "Oh, What a Night!", and "Paradise By the Dashboard Light". Many students chose to endure the bumps and bruises and decided to mosh to the music instead of dance. One brave soul, Julie Sullivan proclaimed, "I came, I moshed, I fell. But I guess it was kind of stupid that I left my high heels on. Ouch."

When the dance came to an end, students said good-bye to friends they wouldn't be seeing that night, climbed in their limos, cars, and party vans, grabbing their second wind, realizing that the night was only about to begin. Students all had different plans for after the dance, some went to friends houses for parties, while others went to restaurants like The Golden Bowl, or The Hard Rock Cafe. Sheri Bonaglia exclaimed, "Everything was great after the dance- I had more fun then! My friends and I got Chinese food and watched movies together."

Eventually, after all the eating, talking, and partying, most students rushed to get home by their curfew, and as they fell into bed trying to make-up for their lack of sleep, they reminisced about another Homecoming gone by, and began looking forward to next year. *Lindsey McHugh*



► Hoisted above the crowd by senior Mike Irving, Michael Cuddy has a bird's eye view of the dance. Many people had to watch from the bleachers, or from someone's shoulders to find their friends or date among the large crowd. Photo by McGrath.

► Comfy and cozy, seniors Michelle Lauria and Erin Short kicked off their high heels and opted for the more comfortable Disney slippers. Many students took off their dress shoes early on in the night, as they found them hard to dance in. Photo by McGrath.



↑ Senior Bill Walsh and his date make plans for after the dance. Some students did not have plans until the very last minute. Photo by McGrath



➤ Taking a break from dancing, Senior couple Charlie Greco and Carina Ciolek embrace during the dance. The couple had been nominated for Homecoming Queen and King. Photo by McGrath.

↑ Shocked and suprised, senior Maria Thompson jumps up to receive her flowers and her crown. Maria was thrilled to be chosen Homecoming Queen by the senior class. Photo by McGrath.



▲ Havin' a swingin' old time, Junior Brendan Burke let's loose. Homecoming was a night for people to let go and show their true colors. Photo by McGrath.

▲ On top of the world, Senior Steve Troup is lifted by his friends at homecoming. Luckily, most "crowd surfers" didn't fall, thanks to all the dancers who held them up. Photo by McGrath.



Getting Back to Nature

Aerosmith, Don Henley, Sting, Elton John, Jimmy Buffet, plus the relatively unknown Melissa Etheridge. Sounded like a dream line-up. Well for a lucky 50,000 plus who could afford to fork over the forty bucks or more, they went to the concert of the summer, the concert for Walden Woods.

On September 6th, at 5:00 the concert was under way. Opening was Melissa Etheridge. With her folksy, honest rock 'n roll style, she got the concert off to a proper start. "I thought she was great, but the crowd didn't seem to appreciate her," remarked Lisa Opanesets.

Next up was Elton John, who surprised the crowd by playing mostly his new songs, except for a choice few, including the always crowd-pleasing "Pinball Wizard" from the rock opera, **TOMMY**.

Sting followed up by playing the longest set of the night, an exhausting one and a half hours. He wowed the audience with an eclectic mix of his Police favorites, the Beatles tune "A Day in the Life", and his newer hits. Sting made one of the few political remarks of the night stating, "The Walden Woods Project and the rain forests are the same thing,"

Sophomore John Tassinari sports one of the more popular tee-shirts available at the Walden Woods concert. photo by C. Grugan



mentioning his valiant efforts in preserving the South American rain forests.

Then came what was thought to be the most anticipated act of the night, Aerosmith. "They were awesome, the best act in the show!" exclaimed Sophomore Margie Sullivan. They definitely rocked the crowd to

it's feet. Playing only seven songs, which seemed short for the night, but Steven Tyler's flamboyant style, and the band's fierce rhythm kept the crowd riveted.

Jimmy Buffet, who's infamous talent, got a standing ovation for playing only two songs, the classic tropical tune, "Margaritaville", and "Volcano" in which he was joined by Don Henley.

Henley then took the stage solo, with his newer hits, such as "The Boys of Summer" and "The End of the Innocence". Then he slowly eased back into the seventies and played the classic Eagles song, the immortal "Hotel California". Henley was the final act of the night, closing the show with the tranquil song, "Desperado".

In every way the concert was a success. The profits of over a million dollars went to the Walden Woods Project, and the audience got a night of remarkable entertainment. Senior Abby Christopher put it best when she said, "It was six hours of musical bliss." Julie Sullivan and Holly Flynn

Where the Heck are the Singing Cats?

In case you were living in a cave this past summer, David Letterman made his much publicized move to CBS. The move was not a fickle change, Letterman had discussed moving from his old affiliate, NBC, for years. He was reportedly unhappy with his later 12:30 time slot and was looking for a change of scenery.

He was adamant about leaving after the surprise choice of Jay Leno to take over "The Tonight Show" spot for Johnny Carson, after the king of Late Nite T.V. retired. Letterman entertained offers from all the networks and waited for NBC to make their move. They decided to stick with Jay Leno's broad yet sometimes bland sense of humor, and not give Letterman the coveted 11:30 spot. "Jay makes my

grandparents laugh, he's an older person's host," declared Mike Guerriero.

People did not know what to expect on August 30th, perhaps a kinder, and gentler Dave? "He was a little bit tamer the first week or so, but it was essentially the Dave we all know and love," stated sophomore Ryann Bailey. "I just don't think he is that funny," expressed John Pilgrim, commenting on Letterman's cutting edge style of humor.

His fans were uneasy that he would not do any of his old favorites from NBC, such as, the top ten list, viewer mail, or the famed "Stupid Pet Tricks", but on his first night out he challenged being sued and did the top ten list. Dave amazed everyone with the vast amount of high profile celebrities that stopped by on his first night, including Paul Newman, Tom Brokaw, and his first guest on his old



show, Bill Murray.

All in all Dave's show is a success every way, as Katie Wyatt put it, "I aspire to be like Dave in every way... minus the gap tooth problem." Julie Sullivan and Holly Flynn



UP IN SMOKE

There are some new popular fashions this year. It might come as a surprise to you, but wearing clothes with pot leaves is making a comeback.

Students at school are popping up wearing fashions sporting the cannabis leaf and the administration did not like it one bit. They had deemed it inappropriate in the school environment. They think it promotes drug use and is not appropriate for people to be wearing. Mike Norton felt differently, he stated, "Kids are able to choose to wear what they want, this is their way of expressing their views." Another student that felt the same way was Noelle Achille, "I think that people should be

able to wear what they want to, because clothing is a form of expression and no one should be able to decide what you can and can't wear," she expressed. They feel that the choice should have been up to them, and not the school administration.

But some do agree with the school administration, that it did promote drug use. Michelle Mason reasoned, "Those shirts *do* promote drug use, they send a message that abusing drugs is a positive way of living."

Well no matter how the student body feels about this issue, the rule still stands. And like it or not students had to abide by it. *Holly Flynn and Julie Sullivan*



Fidal Castro definitely feels that Beavis and Butt-head should remain on at 7:00 on MTV. photo by RM

**Huh-huh huh-huh
We're Like Busted or Something.
Huh-huh huh-huh
Cool!**

The boys were in trouble again. Yup, they got themselves into a big mess this time. Beavis and Butt-head the bad boys at MTV and also MTV's most popular show were under attack by the media this past October for allegedly influencing a five year old boy to set his home on fire, which eventually killed his infant sister, because of Beavis's constant chanting of "FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!" and "Fire is cool."

Because of the controversy MTV pulled B&B from their seven o'clock spot and put them in at a later time of 10:30. "It's better that they're on at a later time because small children have easier access to television at earlier hours," expressed Christy Clark.

Beavis & Butt-head have had a love/hate relationship with the American public, and you're not alone if you can't stand them. Jen O'Neill complained, "I hate their stupid laugh." Sophomore Chris Hill was not slow to agree, "They are sooooo lame." Well their humor obviously isn't for everyone.

But they have formed a large following with the youth that identified with them. Lisa McDonough feels "They are wicked funny, but the parents of that boy should have been monitoring what he was watching, it isn't a show for five year olds.

Television censoring has been a hot topic for the past few years, and now it is getting the limelight. Janet Reno, the U.S. attorney had voiced her opinion and has legislated for mandatory warnings on all t.v. programs containing "mature subject matter" from *N.Y.P.D. Blue* to *L.A. Law*, but a cartoon? According to Reno, yes.

Julie Sullivan and Holly Flynn

LATE SHOW
with David Letterman

**"People tune in for Dave,
not for the guest, Jay Leno
just isn't able to do that."**

- junior

Lindsey McHugh

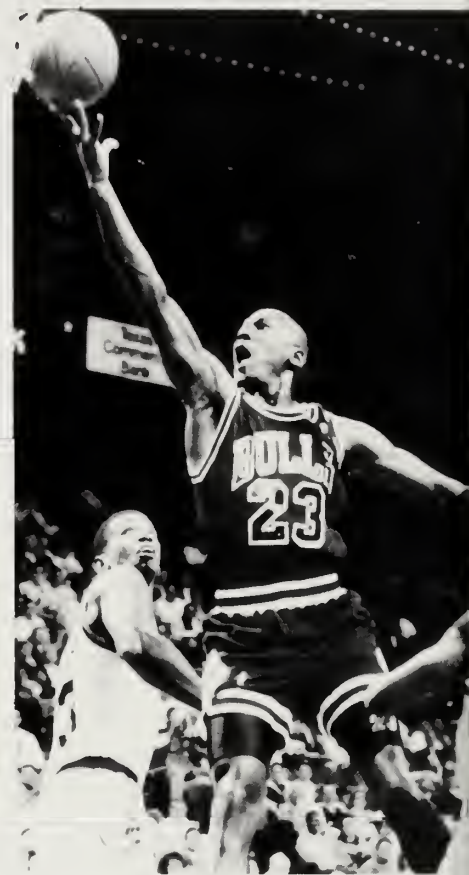


A BASKETBALL SUPERSTAR FINALLY... LANDS ON THE GROUND

RETIRED! I don't think anyone imagined Michael Jordan, the starting guard for the Chicago Bulls, one of the greatest basketball players ever, had retired. "I couldn't believe it! He was such a good player but I feel that he was at the peak of his career. I'm glad his father saw his last game (he died days after seeing that game)." remarked sophomore Lenore Herget. Everyone seemed very surprised at the sudden announcement. "I was very surprised because I thought he had a few more years to go, he was young and he just won three championships and I thought he could have won another one." replied Jared Curry.

Some students were really big fans. Sophomore Lisa Kimball was one of them. She had everything that had to do with Michael Jordan. "I have pens, pencils, posters, shirts, a trash barrel, a calendar, boxers, socks, and a hat." The list goes on and on.

Michael Jordan a true legend. Many people missed seeing him play on the court. *Anne Hurlebaus and Kaitlyn MacDonald*



↑ Going for the shot, Jordan gets it in as usual.
photo by R.M. Photo Service

RIVER PHOENIX 1969-1993

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"a brilliant actor, a tragic legend"

Drugs. Another stain on America's image. It indifferently claimed lives every day without regard to talent, race, or social class. This past October, the drug epidemic claimed yet another one of

Hollywood's young and talented, River Phoenix. He died outside the Los Angeles club, *The Viper Room*, from complications of a drug overdose

Hollywood's best and brightest came out to mourn the young star. The question on everyone's mind was why would such a talented young man destroy himself and his career with drugs? Perhaps we will never know, but it was not for having a disappointing career.

His career stretched from the early eighties, from the role that gave him wide spread recognition as a serious actor, in the

film, "*Stand By Me*", to the nineties in the off-beat "*My Own Private Idaho*", to his last appearance on screen in the country music tale, "*The Thing Called Love*."

He had a few commercial successes, a small part as young Indian Jones in "*Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*", and "*Sneakers*".

Phoenix's wise career choice allowed him as a teenage actor not to fall into the pit of bad teenage movies as some of his fellow young actors did. The story of River Phoenix was a sad example of what a fast-paced life lead to. His life proved that one tragic mistake can ruin lifetime of accomplishments. *Jul Sullivan*

IT'S THE END OF THE TOURING AS WE KNOW IT

And I DON'T feel fine!

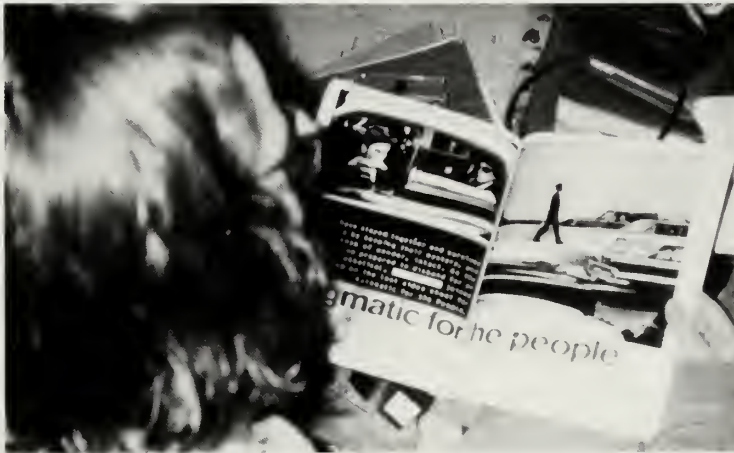
AHH! R.E.M. has entered my living room! Yeah, but only on MTV. Starting off, R.E.M. was obsolete, to be played on an occasional college radio station. Today R.E.M. had been to the top of the music charts and heard all over the world. To say the group was well known would be an understatement.

So, who was R.E.M.? R.E.M. was made up of band members Mike Mills, Bill Berry, Peter Buck, and Michael Stipe. All from Athens, Georgia, they had big time success. Sophomore Carol McIntyre expressed, "I strive to know more about

R.E.M. each day. That knowledge will make me a better person. Michael Stipe is my favorite because he is so awesome and his

lyrics move me."

Many hopes were up when rumor that the band would tour when their new album was



▲ Sophomore Keri Sherlock spends her morning reading an article about her favorite band, R.E.M. photo by K. MacDonald

released, but that (unfortunately) was false. "If I could see R.E.M. in concert just once, I would freak out. R.E.M. rocks my world," said Leahanne Mansfield. "I'm really sad that R.E.M. has decided not to tour because I have this dream that R.E.M. will sing a special concert just for me on a mountain in the Swiss Alps," revealed Carol O'Gara.

From their first live concert in 1980, to their newest album, R.E.M. had become an amazing phenomenon that swept the music world off its feet. *Kaitlyn MacDonald and Anne Hurlebaus*

I've Seen Fire and I've Seen Rain

Fires and Floods, tragic but true, devastated Malibu and the mid-western states. A devastating flood happened this past summer in the mid-western states. Many people's homes and possessions washed away....along with many memories.

Many students were touched by this horrible disaster. "I thought it was really heart-breaking because of the crises the people had to go through," expressed sophomore Stacey Sampson. Sophomore Nitsa Drake thinks the government should have helped out more and explained what she would have done if she were president, "If I was president, instead of sending people to

Somalia and other countries, I would have sent them down to the mid-west, to help the people of our own country."

Like the Midwest floods, out of control fires raged throughout Malibu, California and surrounding towns. Many students sympathized with the people affected by the fires. "I was watching TV one night and there was this man who lost his home in the fire. He was crying and filled with emotion. I wish that there was something I could have done for him," related Leahanne Mansfield.

"I think whoever set the fires should be sent to jail for an extremely long time, served only bread and water and should never be able to see

▼ Victims of the flood round up cattle, in what used to be a grazing field, now is a river of destruction. photo by R.M. Photo Service



daylight again." expressed Marisa Papile.

Lots of memories burnt out and washed away. The tragedy of the floods and fires, natural and premeditated, drove home the

fact that individuals could not always control their environment. *Anne Hurlebaus and Kaitlyn MacDonald*



TALK HARD!

Howard Stern, the most controversial "shock jock" ever to hit the air waves. Yet were his jokes harmless humor or offending put downs? Many students listened to Howard Stern on WBCN and had varied opinions. "I hate him! He's the biggest racist, sexist pig ever to be put on radio! I don't understand why people listen to him. He is disgusting and makes fun of everyone," stated Teresa Walsh. "Howard Stern is really cool. He's wicked funny. I have his book and I laughed so hard. I hate when people take all of his comments so seriously. All he is doing is joking, he is not to be taken seriously," expressed Brian Thompson.

Other students had mixed feelings about the so called "king of radio". "He is kind of funny. When he sang the song 'Friends, I have no friends', he cracked me up. But he also can be really offensive, making fun of women and different religions. A lot of the time I just don't get what he is saying," shared Elaina Parlee.

"Maybe his mom dropped him as a baby. Then being a loser is not his fault. Once he talked about cow-tipping and that was pretty funny," said Kristy Peterson.

Howard Stern featured many of the world's strangest people on his radio broadcast. From conversations about the John Bobbitt case to numerous interviews about their sexual preference. "I did not know there was so many people that were that **DIFFERENT**," declared John Brooks.

"I really don't think about Howard Stern, because I have Rush Limbaugh to admire," affirmed Andrea Markowski. "I really think Howard Stern could contribute to the world a lot more if he'd pull up his pants," commented a student.

As Howard Stern continued to shock his audience, students either turned up the radio or shut it right off, vowing never to listen to WBCN ever again. *Kaitlyn MacDonald and Anne Hurlebaus*



▲ Many AIDS demonstrations flourished in the nineties, as people became more aware of AIDS patients needs. photo by R.M. photo service

Killer on the Loose

AIDS, or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, rapidly became one of the most feared diseases throughout most age groups. Teenagers became the highest risk group of the nineties. Two movies that stuck in many peoples minds were "And The Band Played On" and "Philadelphia". The latter movie featured Tom Hanks as a successful lawyer who was diagnosed with AIDS and then unjustly fired. The story focused on his quest for justice by taking his firm to court. "And The Band Played On" was an HBO movie with a cast of Hollywood stars. It was about the ignorance of the government when AIDS first came about. "Did you know that former president Ronald Reagan never said the word AIDS until about 12,000 people died from AIDS?" That is the kind of mind-boggling information portrayed in the movie.

With the growth of AIDS, students became more aware of the health risks facing them today. "It's really scary to think that at our five year high school reunion, some of the people we grew up with, could have AIDS," remarked Levina Ha.

AIDS and denial were synonymous. Many people thought it could never happen to them, but AIDS did not discriminate. *Kaitlyn MacDonald and Anne Hurlebaus*

Don't you want somebody to love?

Who do you worship? Although "worship" may have been a very strong word, it is how many students thought of certain people. "God is my idol because he is perfect and good," stated senior Mike Irving. Another view of who an "idol" was shared by Julie Sullivan, "Martin Scorsese, a film director, is my idol because he makes the ultimate movies that are wicked awesome and really cool. 'Taxi Driver' and 'Goodfellas' were his finest films because of the superb acting and directing of which he was responsible for."

What makes an idol so loved and great? "My idol is Marcia Brady because of her keen fashion sense. Just kidding. My idol is Eddie Vedder, lead singer of Pearl Jam. The lyrics in his songs really make me think. He is so intense. Many people compare him to the late great Jim Morrison (lead singer of the 1960's band The

Doors) because of the serious lyrics contained in his songs. I just hope that he doesn't burn out and die like Jim Morrison did at the early age of 27." revealed Julie Higgins. Veronica Bonfiglioli shared, "I've been dancing since I was three. Mikhail Baryshnikov is my idol because of his choreography skills." Another student has an idol closer to home. "My father is my idol because he was a musician. I admire him because he did what he always dreamed of doing. I am a musician also, I play the guitar." said freshman Michelle Wagner.

Idols, heros, legends, whatever you call them they are people who others admire and look up to. Many students at such a confusing time need someone to appear practically immortal and seem like the type of person they aspired to be. *Kaitlyn MacDonald and Anne Hurlebaus*



▲ Lead singer Eddie Vedder of Pearl Jam shows he's "Alive" by firing it up on stage.. photo by R.M. photo service

Catchin' Some ZZZ's

Relaxation was a key to making it through high school, and life. Many students relaxed in different ways. "I listen to classical music in the dark...I can't see any thing, so I don't get distracted." revealed Melissa Ruozzi. "To relax, I look out my window and pick a tree to stare at. There is this one tree that looks like a monkey being trapped by a gorilla. I try to figure out different animals for different trees." shared Allen Bourgeois. Dennis O'Connell stated, "I am always relaxed." Yet Trisha Mosesso exclaimed, "I never relax."

Others found their relaxation time within the school walls. "I relax by sitting down with a nice and chunky chipburger at lunch." affirmed Ryan Bailey. Marisa Collins said, "I eat fruit with my lunch.



▲ Junior Colleen Cushing relaxes after a hard game of field hockey. photo by McGrath

Pure and natural relaxation."

Many students had quite unusual ways of relaxing. "I go outside and do a cart wheel. Then I sit down because my tension makes my walking ability inept. My thoughts, while sitting down, drain to my feet and I can walk, think, and relax again." remarked Margie Sullivan.

Some students hung out with friends to help them relax. "When I want to relax I like to blast my CD player or go play Bocci ball and Bridge with my friends." said Alicia Gray. Sports also helped students to relax. "I work out. It gets things off my mind." expressed Steve Tocci.

No matter how students relaxed, when dealing with school work and the trials of everyday life, most seemed to have a unique way of relieving tension and problems. *Kaitlyn MacDonald and Anne Hurlebaus*



Is Boston Safe?

Were students afraid to go into Boston last year? Every day on the news one heard about muggings, drive-by shootings, robberies and other violent crimes. To help stop the violence, police officers passed out pamphlets to the public warning them of dangerous areas in Boston.

"I went during the day sometimes, and nothing ever happened to me, but I always kept an eye out for pick pockets," junior Caly Kim said. Trips to Boston were very popular among students. How could anyone resist the Enchanted Village Jordan Marsh had at Christmas time or the special sales in downtown? "I don't think Boston's safety is a real issue, except if you're planning on going at night, or by yourself," junior Lisa McDonough said. Most kids that went into Boston, went with a group of friends, or family, just to be on the safe side.

Last year, the city of Boston was notorious for its crime

rate. Many people feared the large number of gangs that lived there. For some, students going into Boston was too risky. "I don't mind going every once in a while in the day, but I wouldn't go at night unless I really had to," said freshman Katie McDonough.

A lot of students went to Boston on a regular basis. Shopping was the main attraction, especially during the Christmas season. "I go into Boston to visit my friends because I just moved from there this year." I feel safe in some parts of Boston, but sometimes when I go into town to shop, I feel uncomfortable around all of the different people around me. As far as running into trouble goes, I never have," junior Katie Durfy explained. Although students enjoyed shopping and touring the streets in Boston, they had to be aware that it wasn't completely safe. *Nancy Stack*

Bosnia: War, Torment, Turmoil

Newspapers all over the country carried the name of Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the president of Haiti. Aristide, who was formally trained and educated by Jesuits to become a priest, changed careers and was elected president of his country, which shares the island of Hispaniola with the island of Dominican Republic.

After the wealthy and military people overthrew him, he came over to the United States where he courted Congress and the U.N. for political favors amidst many failed attempts to

reinstate him in the government.

The War in Bosnia, between the Serbs and the Croats, caught the eye of many Americans. This war had been brewing over reasons long since forgotten.

The Yugoslavians broke away and declared independence. The ethnic groups fought over the best farm land.

The Bosnians set up boundaries around the best farm land for themselves, thus refueling the war. *Leanne Gundel*



▲ Freshman Larry Mawn takes a break with a still Red Aurbeach in Fanual Hall. Photography students enjoyed the nostalgia of downtown Boston. photo by J. Davis

Nothing escaped the terrible snow conditions of the storm. Many students stayed inside to avoid the adverse weather conditions. photo by Paul Bakis

Photography students take a break on a Boston street corner after pounding the pavement taking pictures. Spending a day in town was a nice break from long school days. photo by C. Grugan



He's Back...

H. Ross Perot was the man that could have been president of the United States. To many he was a vision of the future, but for many, he was a joke. He ran for the 1994 presidency and was laughed at by many critics, who said that he had no political experience. Known for his big Texan accent and big ears, he declared changes were necessary.

This multi-billionaire impacted the nation's economy with all of his investments in the oil industry. He was the voice behind the curtain, like in the movie the Wizard of Oz. Who would of thought money could buy power, in Perot's case, it almost did. Perot still fought to get his point across by debating on public T.V. with vice president Al Gore.

Ross will not be

able to run again until 1997, when he said running again may not be out of the question. Although his presidential outlook lay in the hand of the beholder, president Bill Clinton. If Clinton did do a good job, then he would most likely be re-elected, if not we could be saying hello to our new president, H. Ross Perot. *Steve Furness*

† Ross Perot discusses his financial plan on one of the infomercials he created. R.M. photo



Winter Madness

Before December 22, winter was in full swing with temperatures near zero and snow falling by the middle of November. The first big storm hit just after New Year's. On Monday, January 3, snow fell all night, resulting in several inches and school cancellations the next day.

That storm was only a taste of what was to come. The big storm hit Thursday night, January 6th at 2:00 in the afternoon and did not stop until mid-afternoon Saturday.

Many were stranded

in their houses, others who tried to leave the house got stuck on the roads. Senior Amy Madden commented, "I was stranded at a friend's house, but there were a lot of us; it was fun. We watched movies and hung out."

The snow was coming down so hard, that those who did not shovel repeatedly, were stuck in or out of their driveways.

Treacherous road conditions over the next week prompted the town to delay elementary school

opening and shorten the high school day both by one hour for three days after school resumed. Junior Lauren Elias said, "I liked the early dismissal, but on days I had to work, I was mad because I couldn't really do anything."

Despite the bad roads and the shoveling, winter is better in white. For the first year in many, Braintree had a white Christmas. Most important to many, the large amounts of snow resulted in numerous days off of school. *Erin Hanks and Jen Early*



Good Night Michael



Many people who are constantly in the public eye are accused of wrongdoings. One such person was Michael Jackson. The controversy was the biggest one he had ever faced. He was accused of child molesting. Many allegations were made and Michael soon left the country.

News reporters tried to dig up information that would prove why Michael left the country. Some thought that it was to avoid all of the publicity surrounding his case. Others thought his excuse for leaving was to receive treatment for his supposed drug addiction.

While out of the country, the charges and controversy increased. Michael, upon returning to the states, learned of all the lies that were spread about his sudden trip out of the country.

While Michael was away, most of his family argued about his guilt or innocence. One of the Jacksons sang a different tune. LaToya Jackson, Michael's sister, did not argue that Michael was innocent. She believed that the allegations were true. Mrs. Jackson denied what LaToya said, and was outraged by her behavior.

Despite the problems he had, Michael Jackson continued to perform across the world. He did not let any of the negative publicity affect his performances. He still gave the audience a show full of excitement and thrills.
Jen Early and Erin Hanks

◀ Michael gave every concert 100% effort regardless of what people were saying about him. photo by RN Photo

Run For The Border

In December, LittleCaesar's was delivered to the town of Braintree. Before this, the closest Caesar's was in Brockton, which is a long commute for pizza. The pizza was popular, not only for the great taste, but for the value. They would run specials week after week. For example, one special was two pizzas for \$8.99. In addition, one could order a third pizza for only a dollar more. Pizza has always been a favorite for week nights on the go and for weekend fun. Senior Michelle Lauria commented, "Little Caesar's is great for late nights studying for math tests. Lots of pizza for a little price is my way to go." The new Caesar's was located on Quincy Avenue, a few blocks away from Papa Gino's. This caused competition that aggravated some. Senior Coleen Flynn expressed, "I work at Papa Gino's so I am not to happy with the new Caesar's. If they continue to take away our business, I could lose my job!" Despite the rivalry, the new Caesar's was a benefit for Braintree. *Erin Hanks and Jen Early*

One of the favorite halfday activities was lunch at Taco Bell. While some students travelled to McDonald's or the Ground Round, many others made the fifteen minute trip to Weymouth, where the closest Taco Bell was located. One of the benefits of Taco Bell was the range of prices they had. One could get a plain taco for just \$.69, or a steak taco for a \$1.09. This made it possible for a student to eat a whole meal for just \$3.00. Students enjoyed the low costs of meals at Taco Bell, especially because the number of half days increased and Taco Bell was visited more often. The favorite food of most students was a regular soft taco. It was easy to eat and left a minimal mess. Also, soft tacos were a rare food item. One could not buy one anywhere. But, with the new Taco Bell in the movie theater, soft tacos were easy to obtain.

*Erin Hanks and
Jen Early*

Pizza, Pizza!!

Do YOU Believe in Santa Claus?

One week before Christmas, a man dressed in a Santa suit stood outside of F.A.O. Schwartz handing out \$50.00 bills to all who passed by. This same routine was followed the year before. This selfless act gave some people more Christmas spirit and got them into the Christmas spirit and into the spirit of giving. It made people believe that Christmas was more than just hype and advertizing.

But, all good things had to come to an end, and this story was no exception. Several days before Christmas, the Secret Santa held a press conference to reveal himself. When he took off the beard, it was a big surprise for everyone, and a big let down. The Secret Santa was one of the D.J.s on WAAF, a rock station on the radio.

The whole giving idea was a big publicity stunt. And it stole away the spirit that it gave to people. It also stole the Christmas spirit out of many other people who just could not stomach the hype that Christmas was centered around.

In the days of old, Christmas was a holiday for family, and giving was something people enjoyed. But, Christmas turned into a holiday of fighting for parking spaces and cussing at slow sales help. Where did the spirit go? *Bonnie Jordan and Jen Early*



Party On...And On

Wayne and Garth were partying on again into their own second world. The same Wayne, the same Garth and the same laughs. Wayne's World II was a sequel of the first movie, Waynes World. The first movie was rated one of America's top ten movies during the season of 1991-1992. Hats and T-shirts with the "Wayne's World" logo on them were selling like crazy.

Mike Myers as Wayne, Dana Carvey as Garth and a special guest appearance from Kim Basinger as Garth's main squeeze, whom he met at the laundrymat also known as Honey Hornee'. The movie went from a sword fight of laughs with Casandra's father to Aerosmith appearing in concert. People liked the image of Jim Morrison featured in the movie. Senior Paul Delorie agreed, "The scenes with Jim Morrison made me sit and bear the slapstick humor of this movie."

Shwingin' into the world on their own, growing up for Garth and Wayne means, "going to the movies on a school night and not having to check in with your parents.", as

Garth would say. *Bonnie Jordan*

Goodbye Mr. Speaker

With every new year comes heartache. On a cold, snowy January evening, one of the most well-known and beloved men died. Thomas P. O'Neil, better known as "Tip", passed away on January 5th. Tip died of a heart attack, but lead a full life. He was born on December 9, 1912.

From birth, he dedicated his life to politics. In 1941, he married his wife, Anne, and together they pursued Tip's career in politics. Tip was the speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives from 1948-1952. In 1971, he was chosen government Man of the Year by the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association.

He was loved by everybody that knew him. And he knew everybody from John F. Kennedy to Robert Redford. In addition, he appeared on every television show from Good Morning America to Cheers.

Massachusetts and the rest of the country will miss this legend. He was a highly inflencial person in politics and everyday life. *Jen Early and Erin Hanks*



▶ Taking a break after keeping the crowds cool at the Fourth of July celebration are Key Clubbers Lenore Herget, Katy Wyatt, and Brenda Varasso. photo by R. Preus



▶ Possessing the "Vivre for Life" that the French seem to have, French National Honor Society member Jen Stevens shows her flair at Open House Night. Open House Nights offered parents the chance to view clubs, such as the French National Honor Society. photo by C. Grugan

▶ Talking with a parent about the success of S.A.D.D. programs, is senior Chris Higgins. Informing parents of what clubs were about was important in order to gain their support. photo by C. Grugan



▶ Waiting patiently in the gym foyer, athletes wait for parents to visit at Open House. The gym foyer, usually filled with acknowledgement only for athletes, was decorated with banners from all the clubs in the school. photo by C. Grugan



Finishing a set, the jazz band gets ready to entertain the crowd at Open House. Clubs such as the jazz band served as both a club and as an academic course. photo by C. Grugans

DRAWING TOGETHER

The clubs at Braintree High School embodied the best of what students had to offer. Whether it was volunteering with the elderly or solving math problems, students came together in clubs to contribute joint efforts to the community and school.

Student council organized spirit week during Homecoming, which was a huge success. Usually a time just to acknowledge sport teams, the week held acknowledgement for clubs as well. Club officers and members constructed banners to be hung in the gym foyer symbolizing their groups. Since the administration received wonderful banners from every club, it was decided they would remain hanging in the foyer for the rest of the year.

Showing this kind of spirit was what made many clubs successful. The new Interact Club, sponsored by the Braintree Rotary Club, debuted with an impressive 40 members. These students volunteered time with the elderly and at the local Food Pantry. Key Club continued its success, and Mrs. Kathleen Spencer remained as club advisor. Key Club even went beyond its volunteer work to sponsor a school talent show.

Some clubs functioned as both an afterschool activity and as an academic, such as the jazz bands and chorus. During many open houses at the high school, the sounds of the jazz bands and chorus could be heard delighting parents and administration.

Working together as a team to work on a common goal was what clubs was all about. Helping people with homework as a National Honor Society tutor, or bringing awareness and acceptance of other customs and cultures as a member of Cultural Awareness, or warning students of the dangers of drinking and driving as S.A.D.D. peer leaders, were just some of the goals that members set for themselves. If someone benefited from a club experience, club members felt satisfied with their achievements. *Coleen Flynn*

Clubs



► Promoting their idea of cultural awareness, sophomore Rebecca Lee, juniors Melissa Yu, Vivian Wong, Levina Ha, Nu Nguyen, Farah Janjua, and sophomore Dennis O'Connell speak at freshman orientation night. The freshman night helped convey the idea of their group to new people. photo by McGrath



▲ Key Club: Back to Front: Bill Walsh, Jeff Pearlstein, Matt O'Gara, Katie South, Danielle Kehoe, Gretchen Stevens, Kate McAllister, Tara Paz, Lynne Thompson, Teresa Walsh, Robyn Perry, Amanda Lacey, Julie Stracuzzi, John Haran, Chris Manning, Sherrie Bonaglia, Kerry Hynes, Lisa Kimball, Lauren Ritchenburg, Melissa Pope, Marie Strydom, Mike Moran, Mike Spinney, Brian Harrison, Farah Janjua, Nitsa Drake, Julie Joyce, Kevin Irving, Tim Johnson, Ms. Spencer, Michelle Lang, Angela DeFrancesco, Vicki Adams, Robin Graycar, Erin Doyle, Denise Brown, Erin Stracuzzi, Chris Gacicia, Chris Grugan, Danielle Perry, Tracey Keefe, Jordan Grow, Lynn Belyea, Trisha Griffiths, Alan Bougeois, Matt Eckelman, Margie Sullivan, Kate Hennigan, Sarah Shwairi, Alison Arnold, Lindsay McHugh, Gavin Guerschuny, Krissy Peterson, Perin Lucash, Anne Hurlebaus, Elena Parlee, John Fallon, Paul Alvarado, Dennis O'Connell, Lisa Opanasets, Greg Campbell, Jen Pelose, Tara Fallon, Tim Donovan, Marisa Agapito, Carolyn Herzog, Joey Olividoti, Jenn Stevens, Brenda Varasso, Jea Na Beck, June Beck, Aditi Vaidya, Laurie Nelson, Angela Nuss, Amy Patel, Trevor Grondin, Lenore Herget, Melissa Ruozzi, Ben Sigel, Kate McDonough, Cheryl Sandison, Stacey Sampson, Katie Wyatt, Lisa Andrews, Jen O'Neill, Carol O'Gara, Marisa Papile, Marisa Vella, Meryl Vella, Ali Monac, Keri Sherlock, Julie Higgins, Carol McIntyre, Katy Young, Christy Clark, Karen Huxley, Alicia Gray, Kaitlyn MacDonald, Mike Strom, Adam Grushey, Elvis Tam, Ryan Preuss, Erin Whitney, Ryann Bailey, Brooke Casanova, Stephanie Porter, Anna Lipinski, Emily Powers, Amy Nelson, Katie Lewis, Lanren Handwerk, Adrianna Lynch, Kerry McDermott, Kathy Brundidge, Aimee Burke, Karin Roberts, Liz Mawn. photo by McGrath



▲ Cultural Awareness. Front Row: Yu Liang, Mike Strom, Greg Campbell, Katie Wyatt, Lenore Herget, James Chang, Ben Sigel, Teresa Walsh, Margie Sullivan, Dennis O'Connell, Paul Alvarado Middle Row: Vinh Trinh, Stephanie Tse, Ricky Wong, Melissa Yn, Hermia Fong, Farah Janjua, Philip Ho, Mike Moran, Caren Lacey, Jea Na Beck, Shakura Wilkins, Janet Cheuk, Wing Tse Back Row: Sam Verma, Elvis Tam, Brian Harrison, Levina Ha, Peggy Lok, Vivian Wong, Rebecca Lee, Samra Khan, Brenda Varraso, Joyce Ho, Carolyn Herzog, Jenn Stevens, Joey Olivadoti, Li Min Liang, Cathleen Sullivan Not pictured: Richard Chang, Nu Nguyen, Jeff Lnu, Joe Venezia. photo by McGrath



▲ METCO. Front: Randy Seymour, Henry McGlothlin, Sherina Hendrix Middle: Raymond Walker, Corey Kelly, Julius Arrington, Paul Seymour, Sean Harmon Back: Chantal Jenkins, Larae Junior, Shakura Wilkins, Kai Madyun, and Mr. Mark Jackson. photo by McGrath



"Key Club makes helping people fun."

-Alicia Gray
Sophomore

"We learn to appreciate each other's culture."

- Levina Ha
Senior

"METCO blends schooling with racial diversity."

- Mr. Mark
Jackson



Involvement Is The Key

Getting involved in school activities helped students make new friends. Clubs involving social awareness, such as Key Club, grew; Key Club membership went from under 50 people to well over 100.

Key Club was, "A group of high school students that help others. We provide assistance to those in need," explained Carol O'Gara, sophomore. "It helps the community," said Laura Romano, sophomore.

Sponsoring activities for the elderly and the homeless were among the Key Club's credits. Jen O'Neil, sophomore, recollected, "We had fun visiting the nursing homes. We helped make crafts and bake banana bread for them." Jenn Stevens, senior, remarked, "The dance was lots of fun.

Everyone twisted the night away while meeting new friends from other Key Clubs. The sound system was not working very well, but that did not put a damper on the wonderful time that the dance committee provided. We also helped out others by donating cans of food as the admission price."

The elected officers were greatly in need to handle such a large group of students. Carol McIntyre, sophomore, said, "The officers did an outstanding job organizing the events and day trips that took place throughout the school year."

Key Club combined helping others and having fun with warm, memorable experiences. Those involved shared in the joy of helping others. *Keri Sherlock and Julie Higgins*



▲ Reading intently, Matt O'Gara, senior glances at the Key Club agenda. Printed agendas helped members remember what they were volunteering for. photo by R. Preus

◀ Levina Ha and Sam Verma, both seniors, take a break to sit and talk. The Cultural Awareness Club was a place for everyone to go if they had free time. photo by B. Kane



Dependable Friends

"Knowing when to drive and when not to", a slogan subscribed to by members of S.A.D.D.. S.A.D.D. was an after school activity for the students who were trying to solve the problems of students who drink and drive. Those students that attended the meetings not only learned about how to deal with people who wanted to drive drunk but it also taught students how to say "no" to drugs and not to get pressured into things that they don't want to do. "Going to S.A.D.D. has taught me to deal with people who drink and want to drive drunk," commented freshman Julie Strucuzzi. Another student also stated, "During our meetings we help show one another ways to stop kids from driving and drinking, even though not all of us drive and have not yet been faced with these situations. We make sure that when one of us is faced with one of these situation, we will be prepared." added Meryl Vella.

Though the program members taught the techniques not only to their peers but they took the time to visit and educate other schools and they had the opportunity to help others with problems. Maybe the capabilities that are discussed in S.A.D.D. would help save lives. It may cost a lot to take a cab but lives cost a lot more.

At these meetings students practiced techniques for saying "No" in various typical situations in which they could find themselves. Whether dealing with other students who were drinking and wanted to drive or just being pressured into doing something with which they were uncomfortable. Students found practicing self assurance in mock situations helped improve them later. If no one cares then people will get hurt. *Krista Sweeney, Jennifer Bell and John Gilbert.*



▲ Welcoming parents and future high school students to the S.A.D.D. organization Senior Chris Higgins and Junior Erin Stracuzzi cheerfully greet the new commers at their display table. photo by McGrath

► Planning S.A.D.D. eventually was the topic of most meetings. President Chris Grugan shows some other S.A.D.D. members a tentative list of ideas for future sadd meetings. Photo by McGrath



← Two S.A.D.D members Stacy Sampson and Melissa Ruozzi laugh together as they recall their roll playing in a previous meetings. Photo by McGrath



**"S.A.D.D. is
students
helping
students."**

**- Katie
South**

**"I belong to
S.A.D.D.,
because it is
fun and is
for a good
cause."**

**-Marie
Strydom**

**"It's great
to have a
group of
people who
don't drink
and try to
help others
stop."**

- Ben Sigel



▲ Peer Assistants: Back row: Colin Burns, Jason Sentas, Ryan Preus, Ben Sigel, James Chang, Jenny Ray, Kristen Draper, Stephanie Porter Middle Row: Stacey Sampson, Tara Fallon, Mark Shuster, Dana Williams, Maureen McDonough, Melissa Ruozzi, Marisa Agapito Front Row: Jocelyn Stapleton, Denise Brown, Katie Riley, Abby Christopher, Marissa Cotton, Diana Ryan, Jen Pelose. Photo by McGrath



▲ Peer Educators. First Row: Mike Cuddy, Danielle Perry, Liz Mawn, Erin Stracussi. Second Row: Chris Higgins, Ben Sigel, Kerry McDermott, Denise Brown, Bill Walsh, Lauren Ritchenburgh, Marie Strydem, Kate Rogan. Third Row: Jill McShea, Christine Ferarra, Teresa Walsh, Amie Furtell, Ryan Daily, Lenore Herget, Katie Wyatt, Jason Ryder, Lindsey McHugh. Fourth Row: Robin Graycar, Colleen Cushing, Carol O'Gara, Caren Lacey, Kaitlyn MacDonald, Katie Young, Carol McIntyre, Julie Higgins, Tara McCarthy, Ali Monac photo by McGrath



▲ Peer Educator Officers: Ben Sigel, Denise Brown, Kerry McDermott, John Bartkow. photo by McGrath





Senior Prom Committee: MaryEllen McDonough, Jen O'Rourke, Bridget Shea, Kerry Molloy, Jill Geary, Amy Madden, Jill O'Connell, Theresa Alfeo, Jenny Jew, Marisa Agapito, Erin Short, Cindy Rush, Rich Lyons, Steve Troup, John O'Keefe, Mary McGrath, Christine Wood, Effie Kadaris, Michelle McMahon, Susan Myers, Erin Hanks, Nancy Lyons, Maria Thompson, Erin Trainor, Katie Riley, Ameera Hassan, Stephanie Minchello, Kerri Norton, Jackie Akoury, Aimee DesLauries, Mike Moran, Tara McCarthy, Sarah Shuwari, Michelle Lauria, George Jackson, Jon Froio, Brandon Candura, Ben Sigel, Bill Walsh, Danielle Perry, Chris Higgins, Caren Lacey, Matt Nichols, Missy Fleming, Katie Drew, Tiffany Ryder, Amanda Foley, Colin Lynch. photo by McGrath.



Junior Prom Committee Shannon Heine, Kelly Barrows, Malissa Hunt, Larae Junior, Dani Colnntonio, Denise Brown, Kerry McDermott, Kate Rogan, Lauren Handwerk, Michelle Watts, Sharon Capobianci, Aimee Burke, Kate Lewis, Karin Roberts, Renee Jackson, Keri Andrews, Melissa Yu, Alexis Troup, Mark Schuster, Bry Hart, Jay Sentas, Chris Banker, Kathy Brundige, Monique Trainor, Jen Ray, Allison Sampson, Adam Grushey, Pat Galvin, Trina Richardi, Sarah Emond, Angie DeFrancesco, Steph Porter, Anna Lipinski, Lauren Richenburg, Tara Fallon, Jay Ryder, Lilo Mchugh, MaryEllen Porter, Bob Perniola, Josh Blinn, Brian Andrade, Vivian Wong, Peg Lok, Amy Lydon, Niki Toma, Liz Mawn, Marie Strydom, Brian Harrison, Michelle Lang, Adriana Lynch, Meri Karl, Missy Sweney, Anne Zamagni, Brooke Casanova, Erin Stracuzzi, Erin Whitney. photo by McGrath.



Musical Theater Guild: Caren Lacey, Bryan Hart, Chris Manning, Danielle Perry, Chris Grugan, Jason Ryder, Bill Walsh, Brian Harrison, Mike Irving, Mike Moran, Katie Wyatt, Katie Young, Alison Arnold, Katie Riley, Ameera Hassan, Amy McHugh, Elizabeth Mawn, Brandon Candura, Tim McShea, Karen Brum, Ann Albrecht, Kai Madyun, Anne Marie Powers, Mike Cuddy. Not shown: Chris Higgins. photo by McGrath

Class officers Adam Grushey and Allison Sampson look over different fundraisers the class could participate in. Raising money for the prom was one of the most tedious aspects of working on the prom committee. photo by McGrath

"I feel that if all the seniors work together, our prom can be the best ever!"

-Jen Wood

"It's important to start planning early, so we can have a great prom!"

-Shannon Heine

"I'll go to all Theater Guild events, not because I have to, but because I want to."

-Bill Parsons



➤ Theatre Guild members Danielle Perry and Lauren Richenburg practice lines before rehearsal. Memorization of lines was extremely important in the production of a great show. photo by C. Higgins

▼ Faculty advisor Bill Parsons and Mike Cuddy scan the cast list. Like most years, the cast was made up of a talented group. photo by C. Higgins.



Babe! You've Got Talent!

Some people would do anything for applause. Especially members of the Musical Theater Guild. Once students survived the painful, frightening tryouts, they were relieved and able to enjoy the many hours of rehearsal to prepare for the play. Junior Jason Ryder revealed, "My first year trying out, I was very nervous and embarrassed. This year, it was much easier to sing in front of people after going through the process last year." For some hams, trying out was a piece of cake. Brian Harrison exclaimed, "For some reason, even as a freshman, I never had a problem trying out, I guess I'm a showoff!"

To pull off a spectacular show, hours of hard work were necessary. The actors and actresses had to perform a balancing act between school, the play, jobs and sports. Josh Abell, a junior, complained,

"Many times you have to stay up until the wee hours of the morning doing homework after practice.

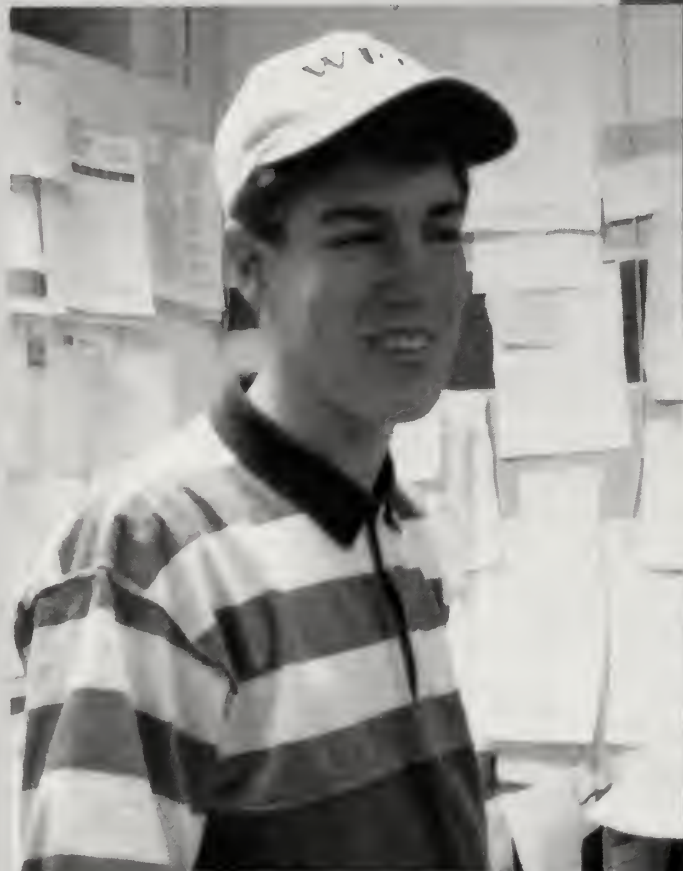
This year, English teacher Bill Parsons was a new addition to the production. Mr. Parsons volunteered as a faculty sponsor for the Theater Guild, the first teacher to fill this position. His contributions to the upcoming play, *Hello Dolly*, were much needed and appreciated. Mr. Parsons shared, "These kids deserve the support of the school and with a teacher as a sponsor they are getting the support they need."

"Acting may be just a hobby for me now, but I would love to act professionally." The group brought a little bit of Broadway to the school, hoping to someday bring a little something of the school to Broadway. Vicki Adams, Lindsey McHugh, Nicole Toma.



► Students in yearbook discuss the articles for their upcoming deadline. Ideas began to occur as soon as the new topics were announced. photo by McGrath

▼ Jon McSheffrey concentrates hard on an idea to write about. Writing came easily to Jon as he was a student taking yearbook for the second time. photo by McGrath



Creative Thinking

What is Stone Soup? A misleading name for a group of students who wrote for the literary magazine. Through this literary magazine students demonstrated creativity by submitting either a story or art work for publication. Mrs. Publicover, the teacher advisor commented, "Stone Soup tries to publish the work of an exceptionally creative student body and to represent all students."

Senior, and Stone Soup editor, Brenda Varasso stated, "Critiquing all of the students' submissions is fun and interesting. You get to see kids' feelings about their lives, we have a lot of creative writers."

Brooke Casanova, junior explained, "I like writing for Stone Soup, I wish I was more

artistic, though, because I think it would be cool to submit art."

Although Stone Soup included many upperclassmen, the undeclassmen were quick to get involved. Freshman, Stephanie Harris said, "I wasn't sure about joining Stone Soup at first, but once I finally went there I really enjoyed it. I definitely think I'll do it for the next few years." Senior, Sarah Shuwairi explained, "Some students were active by either writing or submitting art work. No matter what your preference, anyone the least bit creative should consider joining Stone Soup." *Kerry McDermott, and Denise Brown*





"I want to help make my yearbook, also I enjoy writing."

Ed Gardner,
Senior

"In Stone Soup, I can be creative and have fun at the same time."

Tara McCarthy,
Senior

"We pick up the loose ends that students never get around to in class."

Christy Clark,
Sophomore



▲ Yearbook, back: Nancy Lyons, Erin Hanks, Chris Higgins, Jon McSheffery. Third row: Jenny Jew, Elaina Parlee, Meghan McSheffrey, Julie Sullivan, Denise Brown, Kerry McDermott, Kate Rogan. Second row: Julie Higgins, Caitlyn McDonald, Ali Monac, Kerri Sherlock, Katy Young, Hale Hack. Front: Melissa Pope, Nicole Toma, Lindsey McHugh, Liz Mawn, Tara Fallon, Lisa McDonough, Stephanie Porter. photo by McGrath



▲ Stone Soup, back: Laurie Nelson, Anne Marie Powers, Brenda Varasso, Brooke Casanova, Stephanie Porter, Jeff Candura, Keith Gozzolo, Mike Hanks, Jason Greenbaum. Second row: Stephanie Harris, Ryan Bailey, Sarah Shuwairi, Joyce Ho, Amy Nelson, Maureen Deroma, Angela Nuss, Jen Bruce, Barbara Leth, Matt Eckleman. Front row: Nicole Devea, Lisa McDonough, Amy Patel, Krissy Peterson, Tara McCarthy, Paul Alvarado, Corey Satre, Jeff Milch. photo by McGrath



▲ After school yearbook, back: Christy Clark, Angela Nuss, Marisa Agapito. Front row: Sarah Shuwairi, Julie Sullivan. photo by McGrath

← Students gather at a computer to find out the latest information on how to write a story. A demonstration was always done to show the yearbook staff what to do. photo by McGrath



► Helping to plan the Prom, junior class Pres. Alison Sampson speaks to the committee. The officers made sure there were enough class meetings so everyone was informed. photo by C Higgins



▲ Freshman Class Officers

Front Row: Vicki Adams (Treasurer), Danielle Kehoe (Vice President), Abby Franklin (Secretary) Back Row: Trevor Grondin (Rep), Ed Vena (Rep), Andy Cox (Rep), Kate McAllister (Rep), Shelly Lyons (Rep), Not Shown: Erin Holmes (President), Kelly Hatch (Rep)



▲ Sophomore Class Officers

Front Row: Stacey Sampson (Treas), Taylor Sturtevant (Pres), Lenore Hergert (V Pres), Meghan McSheffrey (Rep) Back Row: Brendan Fong (Rep) Kate McDonough (Rep) Katie Wyatt (Rep), Margie Sullivan (Rep) Not Shown: John Galvin (Sec), Nikki Rothgeb (Rep)



▲ Junior Class Officers

Front Row: Alison Sampson (Pres), Larae Junior (V Pres), Brian Holmes (Sec), Greg Dunn (Rep) Back Row: Brooke Casanova (Rep), Sharon Capobianchi (Rep), Jenny Ray (Rep), Tara Fallon (Rep) Not Shown: Chris Dorn (Treas)



▲ Senior Class Officers

Front Row: Rich Lyons (Rep), Brandon Candura (Rep), Mike Cuddy (Rep), Aimee Deslauriers (Rep) Back Row: Katie Riley (President), Ameera Hassen (Vice President), Ben Sigel (Secretary), Jon Froio (Treasurer), Not Shown: Marisa Agapito (Rep), Katie Drew (Rep)

Council makes you feel like a part of a group.

- Kate McAllister
Freshman

"Student Government is like a big family working together."

- Lenore Herget
Sophomore

"I like being a Student Council rep because it gives me a chance to be involved in and help out with the activities in the school."

- Sharon
Capobianchi
Junior

"I like the new class representative system because I finally got to be something."

- Brandon
Candura
Senior



Represent and Contribute

Throughout the school year, the Student Council, a group of dedicated individuals, led their classes in planning, organizing, and fund-raising. The Council consisted of class officers who were elected by their classmates. They organized different activities, such as Homecoming, junior and senior proms, and pep-rallies. Many officers explained that their involvement with student council allowed them to be an active part of the school and its activities. Junior, Brooke Cassanova commented, "By being in student council, I always have a chance to be directly involved with what goes on in school. Whether it's planning, decorating, or performing, there is always a job to be done."

To run for office, each candidate had to make a brief speech about why they were running and about what they thought they could contribute to the student council. Freshman, Ed Vena commented, "I originally ran for president of the freshman class, but I was beat by Erin Holmes. I then decided to become a representative in order to still be involved with my class." Many students, even though they didn't win an officer position, showed their dedication by following up and becoming a representative. Dedication, after all, was the way to success. *Shelly Lyons, Kate Rogan & Stephanie Porter*

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2.....8:53.....9:36
3.....9:40..10:23
4.....10:25..11:10
5..[11:35, 12:03,12:28]
.....11:10-12:28
6.....12:32..1:18
7.....1:22..2:05



▲ Updating the bulletin board, Senior Colin Lynch informs the students of the upcoming dance. The informal dance was held by the Student Government photo by C. Higgins

◀ Delivering the news! Senior class President, Katie Riley, reads the morning announcements. Through the announcements students kept informed photo by R Preus



Those Who Lead

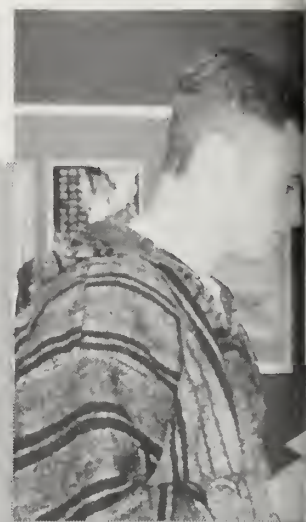
Our new winners are... School Committee Representatives led by returning Representative Danielle Perry, advisor Mr. Wenmark, and four new members, represent students at all school committee meetings. School Committee meetings could be confusing, and at times, long and boring, so students were grateful to have intelligent, well-rounded individuals representing their interests and ideas.

Advisor Mr. Wenmark explained that the "five school committee representatives go to school committee meetings and report back to school to inform of what is going on." One member, junior Brendan Burke, had a different reason than most for joining the committee. "My mother is on the school committee, and I thought it would be fun to work with her. It gives me a chance to see how committees and groups work. I like it, and I have a better

understanding of how much work is involved in running the school. However, school committee reps. don't have much power, and I would like to see us get more of a say in student life." Senior Danielle Perry commented, "It really is an honor to be chosen as a school committee rep. Voicing student opinions is an important job. I have fun and learn a lot at the same time."

Sophomore Lenore Herget was impressed by the meetings, which were held on Monday nights, "It's an honor to be at the meetings, sitting at big tables behind own name plates, we learn about school and town events before anyone else."

Although these representatives were still students, they fulfilled the function of presenting student opinions to the governing body controlling their high school. *John Campbell & Ali Monac*



Following nurses' orders, Senior Brian Kelleher rests after donating blood to the Red Cross. The semi-annual Blood Drive, sponsored by the Student Government, was a major success. photo by C. Higgins

Rich Lyons researches possible college opportunities. Being a part of student government was an activity many universities look for. photo by B. Kane





◀ Danielle Perry and Mike Cuddy diagram their ideas on the new time schedule. School Committee Reps. were able to voice their opinions. photo by McGrath



▲ School Committee Representatives front row: Mike Cuddy, Danielle Perry, top row: Lenore Herget, Marisa Agapito, absent from photo, Brendan Burke. photo by McGrath



▲ Student Council front row: Abby Christopher, Mr. Wenmark, Katie Drew, top row: Colin Lynch, Marisa Agapito. photo by McGrath



▲ Interact Club front row: Heather Collins, Katie Wyatt, Paul Alvarado, Angela Nuss, Oliver Stock, Pat Flynn, Christine Ferrara, Maureen Deroma, Middle: Lenore Herget, Melissa McNally, Sarah Emond, Kristina Riccardi, Samra Kahn, Brenda Varasso, Joe Venezia, Vivian Wong, Kim Khari, Back row: Brian Harrison, Jenny Ray, Anne Zamagni, Renee Jackson, Joe Olivadoti, Jen Stevens, Mike Strom, Ben Randall, Ann Marie Barcellos. photo by McGrath

"Interact is a great way to meet new people."

- Melissa McNally

"It's an honor to be a voice of the students."

- Lenore Herget

"Being a part of Student Govt. enables us to have a decision in student life."

- Katie Drew





▲ Band members: Ben Sigel, Jen O'Neil, Jennifer Pelose, Stephanie Horris, Kristin McDonough, Stacey Sampson, Toni Toy, Mandy Boehmer, Susan Lydon, Tara Paz, Julie Stacuzzi, Trevor Grandin, Meryl Vella, Tracy Fredbalm, Melissa Bestick, Ed Vena, Carolyn Herzog, Kate McDonough, Greg Campbell, Paul Alvarado, Carol McIntyre, Tim Donovan, Greg Newman, Mike O'rourke, Michael Cusack, Matt O'Gara, Chris Gacicia, Daniel South, Mike Irving, Mike Moran, Robin Graycar, John Haran, Peter Eggers, Matt Fuccillo, Dave Cevalani, Zev Young, Tom Eggers, Bill Walsh, Mike Ostman, Craig Smith, Tara McCarthy, Melissa Ruozzi, Allen Bourgeois, Mark Storms, Dave McHugh, Joe Venezia, Sean Coppney, Mike Rossman, Eric Cyphers, Andy Nicklas, Ed Downing, Jeff Pearlstein, Ken Haley, Steve Nevulis, Ben Hulke, Marco, Ignagni, Nierra Marshall, Scott Newman, Ann Albrecht, Matt Eckleman, Collen Cushing, Michelle Lang, Eileen Cusack, Tabitha Toy, Lisa Opanasets, Margie Sullivan, Heather Duffly, Kelly Honiker, Denise DeCross, Vanessa Greene, Sharon Rusconi, Katie South, Heather Carlson, Amy Devlin, Allison Cravon, Marissa Vella, Mikalah Carlson, Angela DeFrancesco, Sue Myers, Kerry Hynes. photo by McGrath



▲ 7 O'Clock Jazz Band members: Mike Moran, Matt O'Gara, Jeff Pearlstein, Kerry Hynes, Ben Sigel, Ann Albrecht, Carolyn Herzog, Chris Jamele photo by McGrath



▲ 5 O'Clock Jazz Band members: Mike Cusack, Eric Cyphers, Ron Zukowski, Rob Henriksen, Gregg Savage, Robin Graycar, Colleen Cushing, Angela DeFrancesco, Michelle Lang, Ed Downing photo by McGrath

► Stacey Sampson and Julie Stacuzzi expressing their talent of playing the clarinet at a football game. The band's presence at the football games gave the fans something to sing a long to. photo by McGrath

"Music is a talent that should be shared with the school."

- Colleen Cushing

"Our performances are always fun and give us a great sense of accomplishment."

- Michael Irving

"To improve my flute playing is the main reason for my being in the band."

- Lisa Opanasets





— Seniors Matt O'Gara and Jeff Pearlstein take a break from performing their music in the pit. They were exhausted from the excellent performance they gave in front of family, freinds, and classmates. photo by McGrath

! The 7 O'Clock Jazz Band performs in the pit during Open House. Incoming freshman were given the opportunity to see the ability of highschool students as well as be entertained during the Open House. photo by McGrath



Talent With A Twist

The concept of band was music, talent, precision, determination, and of course, fun. Students interested in performing joined one of the two jazz bands, the concert band, which practiced every day during school, or both.

Junior Colleen Cushing claimed, "What really interested me was the fact that it was a different type of music not classical or rock." Students benefitted practicing a variety of other musical styles. Also, students enjoyed the concerts in different locations. "We've played competitions, benefits, a concert for Cerebral Palsy in October, and regular performances, as well as fall football games and the pep rally," explained senior Mike Cusack, who was in the 5:00 jazz band.

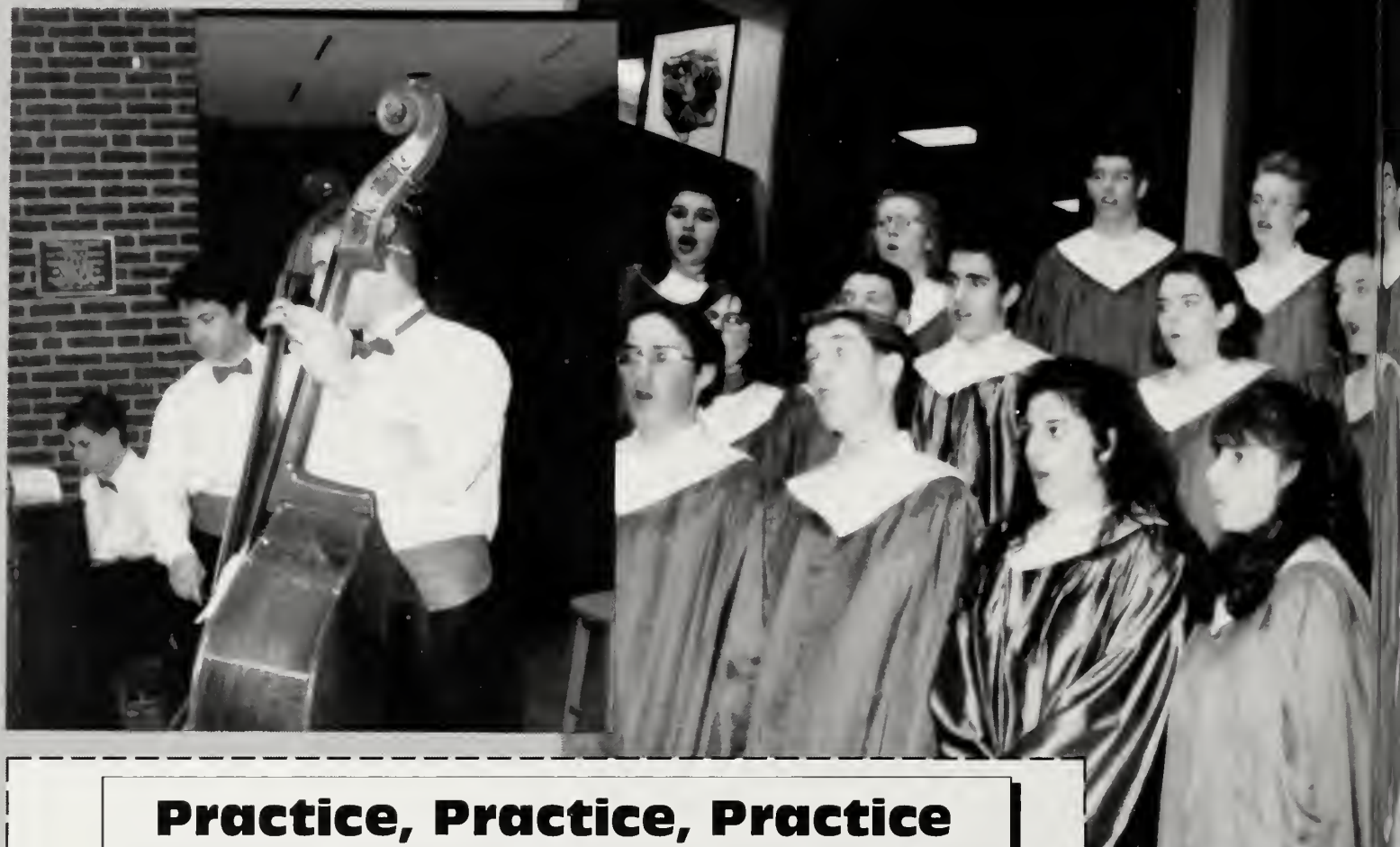
Developing and working on one's musical style was often accompanied by amusing moments; I remember when Mr. Schaffer tried to make a joke at a concert for the audience, but it didn't seem to amuse them that much," laughed Jeff Pearlstein. Junior Ed Downing recollected "The time Joe Perdough dropped his drumstick during his solo at the cabaret."

Every Monday night from 5-9:00, you know where all the students in jazz bands the regular concert band practices each day during school, could be found, PRACTICING! So next time you get a chance, grab a seat and enjoy the music and talent of both bands. *Katie Durfee and Chris Jamele*



► The chorus sings while concentrating on their conductor, Mrs. Guida. Songs and music greeted visitors as they attended the school on back to school night. photo by C. Higgins

▼ The orchestra provided music and entertainment for all who listened. Joe Holmes, Mike Strohm, and John Dewsnap play their instruments in the gym lobby. photo by C. Higgins



Practice, Practice, Practice

Express yourself. Many students enjoyed expressing their feelings through singing in chorus. Chorus, students who practiced together each day and eventually sounded great. Alena Kerins also remarked "I love to sing and chorus class is a good chance to exercise my voice." Most students did not realize that a singer's voice needed to be exercised to stay in tune".

Chorus could accommodate kids that liked to "show their stuff", like freshman Danielle Kehoe, "I like to sing solo, because it's a way to express my feelings."

Other students preferred the camaraderie of group singing, "Singing with others is easier for me. I find it scary to sing alone with everyone watching," explained sophomore Ryan Bailey. Together, they strove for perfection at the annual concerts, winter

and spring.

Some students, like freshman chorus member, Jeff Candura who had been singing for a long time. He exclaimed "I've been singing for six years, since seventh grade." Freshman Kate McAllister remarked, "When I was a baby I would run around the house making up songs by the minute."

The chorus concert was the climax of the year for chorus members. Chorus members practiced till their throats went dry, trying for just the right sound of unison and diction. The concert was the payback for all the hard work and hours they put in to have an auditorium full of people applauding for them. They discovered the effort was worth the work. *Beth King and Lynne Belyea.*





Chorus
helped me
overcome my
fears of being
in front of an
audience.

- Emily
Powers

Singing in
chamber
singers gave
me the feeling
of accomplish-
ment towards the
school.

-Mike Crispin

Orchestra was
the root of my
well-being, if
orchestra
hadn't been
there, neither
would I.

-Marisa Papile



Chorus. First row: Nicole Devoe, Amy Nelson, Pat Burke, John Rogan, Jim Koutsis, Dave Mariano, Korie Satre, Alena Kerins, Emily Powers. Second row: Kelly Flannery, Abby Franklin, Cathy Lynch, Melissa McNallie, Katie Wyatt, Theresa Walsh, Robyn Perry. Third row: Melissa Walls, Sherina Hendrix, Allison Pagnani, Andrea McGrath, Erica Swanton, Marisa LaaPerl, Stacey Barter, Danielle Kehoe, Kathryn McAllister, Lauren Lesogor, Carla Puliafico. Fourth row: Erin Doremus, Martha Keelehan, Angela Nuss, Amy Patel, Tony O'Reilly, Matthew Naughton, David Hassan, Jill McShay, Maureen Deroma, Gabriella Puliafico. Fifth row: Teacher Mrs. Dan Smith, Sara Eman, Alexas Troop, Anne Cantwell, Melinda Riverin, Kathleen McDermit, Ryan Prouse, Anthony Eagan, Jeff Candura, Amanda Lacey, John Barkow, Cindy Rush photo by McGrath.



Chamber singers Front row: Teacher Ms. Guida Jen Bruce, Jen Martino, Jackie Alexander, Erin Whitney, Steph Porter, Danielle Perry. Second row: Danielle Colintonio, Caren Lacey, Brian Harrison, Boe Marini, Chris Manning, Jeff Milch, Eileen Holbrook, Julie Tanner. Third row: Adrianna Lynch, Carrol O'Gara, Ryan Bailey, Ben Randal, John Pilgrim, Barbie Leth, Mary Sheehan, Christina Spano. Back row: Karin Brum Anne Marie Powers, Diana Ryan, Mike Crispin, Matt Pope, Dana Williams, Tim McShay, Michelle Darsh, Amanda Markowski, Amy McHugh. photo by McGrath



Orchestra. First row: Lisa Rosenas, Mark Shuster, Alison Arnold, Melissa Cirignano, Dawn Picewick, Lynne Thompson, Eileen Murray, Danika Muise, Rebecca DiNicola. Second row: Marisa Papile, Lenore Herget, Aditi Vaidya, Laray Junior, Kim Cosgrove, Jojo Talieri, Laurie Nelson, Amara Hassan, Oman Raiss, Karen O'Brien, Matt Filiano, Michelle Lauria, Amanda Benoit, Julie Joyce, Meghan Lydon, Tina Rocci, Rai Madyun. Third row: Carolyn Herzog, Mike Moran, Matt O'Gara, Ben Sigel, Ann Albrect, Sue Myers, Jen Pelose, Matt Eckdeman, Colleen Cushing, Dina Soronr, Jill Manning, Amanda Ferrera, Lauren Richenburg, Melissa Cram, Danielle Hutchins, Liz Locassio. Back row: Joe Holmes, Ed Downing, Matt Fucillo, Mark Storms, Al Bougois, Tara McCarthy, Melissa Ruozzi, Melisa Bestic, Mike Strohm. photo by McGrath

Getting ready to play on back to school night, the orchestra members go over some last minute preparations. photo by McGrath



► AV Aide Greg Googins watches a little TV. When all their work was done the AV Aides could take time out from a busy day. Photo by B. Kane



▲ A.V. Aides. Back Row: Steve Troup, and Rich Lyons. Middle Row: Bryan Andrade, Jeremy Zahn, and Mike Henrikson. Front Row: Greg Googins, and Josh Blinn. Photo by McGrath



▲ Assistant Trainers: Dennis Galvin, Abby Christopher, and Mike Irving. Photo by McGrath



▲ Gretchen Stevens, Mike Cusack, Jen Stephens, Mike Irving, James Chang, Brandon Candura, Srikanth Subramanian, Mike Cuddy, Kim Cosgrove, Samra Khan, Lenore Herget, Danielle Perry, Allison Arnold, Kristen Draper, Chris Achille, Joyce Ho, Chris Manning, JoJo Talieri, Katy Young, Jea Na Beack, Carolyn Herzog, Derek Hui, Amy Patel, Paul Bakis, Albert Tu, June Beack. Photo by McGrath



"The AV room is a place for rest and relaxation."
- Greg Googins Senior

"The assistant trainers are in the weight room after school so that students can come and work out at their convenience."
-Abby Christopher

"The math team allows members to have fun and be with friends even though people may think differently."
-Lenore Herget



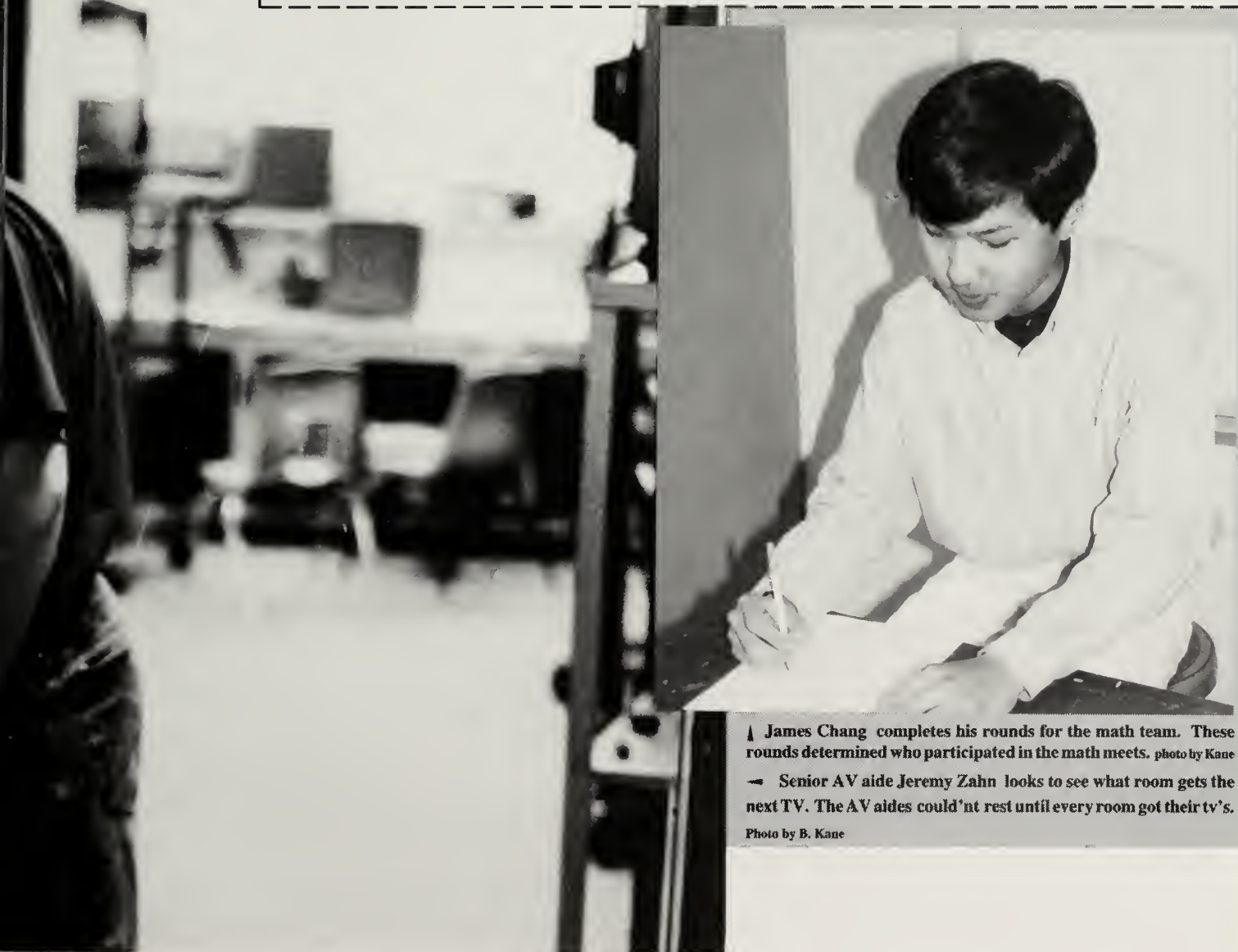
Somewhere To Go...Something To Do

Have you ever walked into a classroom and felt relieved to see a television? An audio visual aide wheeling a television into the classroom broke the monotony of teachers' everyday lectures. One of the smallest clubs, allowed kids to get away during homeroom and free periods. "It's something to do and somewhere to go during a boring free," stated senior AV aide Steve Troup. The six AV aides can be found everyday in an out of the way room on the second floor, where the school's televisions were stored.

This job demanded dependability. "Without us, people wouldn't be able to make much use of the tv's in school," said senior Jeremy Zahn. This club made the televisions more accesible to teachers. The teachers would sign up for a tv for different periods throughout the day. It was the

responsibility of the aides to make sure that the tv's made it to the classrooms on time and that the equipment worked properly.

This year's AV aides are all juniors and seniors and ranged in experience of being AV's from two to four years. Coincedently all of the AV aides happened to be boys. When asked why there were no girls, the common answer was "they're not allowed". There was no other explanation for this except "just because". Although this could rise controversy among students, perhaps there just had not been a female student that wanted to be an Audio Visual aide. Regardless of this, the Audio Visual Club concontinued to be a respected club at BHS. The club provided accessibility of televisions to teachers and probably saved work for the teachers. *Monique Trainor and Melissa Pope.*



▲ James Chang completes his rounds for the math team. These rounds determined who participated in the math meets. photo by Kane

← Senior AV aide Jeremy Zahn looks to see what room gets the next TV. The AV aides could'nt rest until every room got their tv's.

Photo by B. Kane

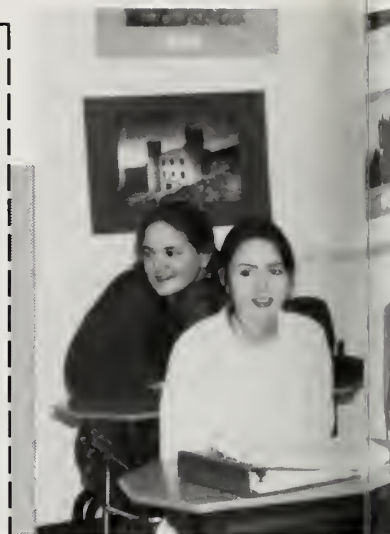


Bienvenidos Al Espanol

As the stress of college built up among upperclassmen, many relied on the fact that they were a member of an honor society. National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society and French National Honor Society were three academic clubs offered to students. Junior, Anne Zamagni stated, "I joined the Spanish National Honor Society last year. I enjoyed doing it because I do well in Spanish and it looks really good for college." Another junior, Kim Aitken expressed, "I like being a member because I enjoy Spanish. Mrs. Menovich and Ms. Smith really helped us by keeping it organized."

Another duty of the Spanish National Honor Society included their involvement in the Spanish Exchanges. The first exchange in the fall,

when Spanish students came here, Spanish Honor Society, along with the hosts, helped to organize events for the students. Merideth Karll, junior said, "I hosted a Spanish student and the Spanish National Honor Society was really helpful. I very much enjoyed hosting and I went on the Spain trip in the spring." Some members of the honor society both hosted and went on the trip. Junior Tara Fallon exclaimed, "I love Spanish which is one reason I'm in the Spanish National Honor Society. I went to Spain on the exchange last year and met many interesting Spanish students, it was wonderful time." For those interested in Spanish, it's not too late to see what it's all about. *Denise Brown and Jocelyn Stapleton*



▲ Lending a helping hand, Carloyn Herzog blows up a balloon for a National Honor Society fundraiser. Balloons were one idea the National Honor Society used to make money for their organization. photo by B.Kane



► Jon McSheffrey and Ed Gardner take some time to go over the agenda from a previous National Honor Society meeting. Ed and Jon were just two of the students dedicated to making sure National Honor Society ran smoothly. photo by B.Kane





"I enjoy being in National Honor Society. I hope it will help for college."

Maria Thompson

"Spanish National Honor Society is fun. I like to help with the Spanish Exchange."

Alexis Troup

"French National Honor Society is fun and interesting. I like being a part of it."

Sarah Emond

— Mrs. Wallace talks about upcoming plans with Jen McIsaac, Richard Chang and Kristen Draper. Fundraisers and activities were important aspects of the Franch National Honor Society. photo by McGrath



▲ National Honor Society: Front: Sarah Shuwari, Abby Christopher, Joyce Ho, Jea Na Beck, Heather Duffy, Michelle Darche, Kerry Hynes. Second row: Jon McSheffrey, Cheryl Sandison, Mike Irving, Brandon Candura, Tracey Keefe, Ben Sigel, Carolyn Herzog, Bill Walsh, Danielle Perry, Dan Young. Back: Maria Thompson, Mrs. Skill(advisor), Mike Lydon, Yu Liang, Dave Keough, Mike Cusask, James Chang, Jenn Stevens, Kristin Draper, Mary-Ellen McDonough, Marisa Agapito. Not shown: Paul Blaney, , Richard Chang, Ed Gardner, Levina, YuXiong Liang, Amanda Markowski and Erin Trainor. photo by McGrath



▲ Spanish National Honor Society: Front: Karen O'Brien, Abby Christopher, Tara Fallon, Ben Sigel, Erin Hanks. Back: Mrs. Smith(advisor) Efie Kadaris, Anne Zamagni, Lauren Handwerk, Kim Aitken, Alexis Troup, Joyce Ho, Mrs. Menovich(advisor). not shown: Brian Anderson and Marissa Cotton photo by McGrath



▲ French National Honor Society: Front: Mark Shuster, Sarah Emond, Jen McIsaac, James Chang, Jenny Ray, Kerry Hynes. Second: Danielle Perry, Chris Manning, Skrikanth Subramanian, Marie Strydom, Lindsey McHugh, Brandon Candura, Sarah Shuwari. Third: John Harran, Jea Na Beck, Jen Stevens, Kristin Draper, Anna Lipinski, Perrin Lucash. Back: Christina Richardi, Malissa Hunt, Jen Pelose, Caren Lacey. Not shown: Maria Thompson and Richard Chang photo by McGrath





PEER ASSISTANTS - BACK ROW: Colin Burns, Jason Sentas, Ryan Preus, Ben Sigel, James Chang, Jennifer Ray, Kristen Draper, Stephanie Porter MIDDLE ROW: Stacey Sampson, Tara Fallon, Mark Schuster, Dana Williams, Kate McDonough, Melissa Ruozzi, Marissa Agapito FRONT ROW: Jocelyn Stapleton, Denise Brown, Katie Riley, Abigail Cotton, Marissa Cotton, Diana Ryan, Jennifer Pelose



PROJECT PROVE Front Row: Ben Sigel, Benjamin Jensen, Jamie Donahue, Kristen Fichtner, Jean Vanelli Back Row: Chris Banker, Terry-Haviland Smith, Paul Crosta Missing from photo: Jocelyn Sulla, Michelle Richardi



▲ Laughing and dancing throughout the evening, Terence Smith and Jocelyn Sulla take advantage of the great music played at the Homecoming Dance. photo by McGrath

► Hitting the books, Chris Banker catches up on some assigned reading. photo by C. Higgins

"I'm the last of the Smiths to graduate from BHS - my mother was the first in 1953 and now me in 1993. Years that end in 3 are lucky"

- Terence Haviland-Smith


"The students in Project Prove graduate with a well-rounded resume and a sense of who they are. They have a lot to teach their peers."

-Ms. Farley

"I'm a new man!"

- Chris Banker ('94)





Enthusiastic about her studying, Michelle Richardi obviously enjoys highlighting material to be reviewed. photo by C. Higgins

Piecing together an Elvis puzzle, Terence Smith takes a break from his other studies. photo by C. Higgins



Equality with a Helping Hand

Project Prove did exactly what it's name declared. It proved that the kids involved with the program were more than just students with special needs. They took regular classes and were involved in activities in and out of school.

Many of the Project Prove kids took gym and art classes with other

students. Seniors, Michelle Richardi and Jocelyn Sulla said "We enjoy everything about the school." Junior, Chris Banker said "The girls are what I like most about Braintree High".

Juniors and seniors involved in project prove often left school at noon time to go to work. Seniors, Michelle Richardi said "I work at Franvale nursing home. I like making the

beds. One of the residents told me she didn't have a good night sleep all summer because I wasn't working." Senior Janie Donahue said, "I can find all the places at Franvale Nursing Home now - the laundry, dining room and the patients rooms, but my favorite part of the job is getting my pay check. I'm saving up for a great prom dress." Senior, Jocelyn Sulla said "I work at Filene's basement in the

back room hanging up clothes". Senior, Terry Smith and Junior, Chris Banker both are working at Hilltop Market Place. Terry Smith stated "Working at Hilltop Market let's me meet a lot of people. I even bag groceries for Mr. LeRoy when he comes in." The kids in Project Prove were employed at the same places as many other students.

Most of the

teenagers in project prove were also involved in the Special Olympics, which they attended on certain days after school.

Students in project prove stated unanimously, "Braintree High School is the best place to meet new people." Vicki Adams, and Krista Sweeney



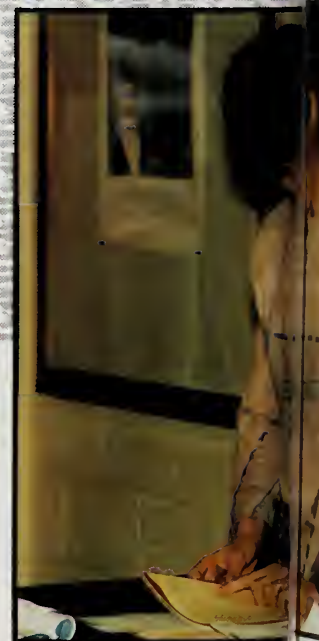
▼ Hugging her friend after a long summer, Mary Ellen O'Connor shows a friend affection on their first day back to school. Most students were pleased to see school friends, some of which they hadn't seen all summer. photo by McGrath



▲ A night of fun and enchantment are enjoyed by senior Rich Chang and junior Michelle Lang. Junior prom time always aroused excitement for all who planned on attending. photo by McGrath



► Listening intently, anxiety stricken freshman sit as the High School's procedures are explained to them. Orientation day gave them the opportunity to find their way around the school without the hustle. photo by McGrath





► Pleased with his new class schedule, Ben Hulke points out one of his subject choices to his neighbor. Freshmen were reassured to find that they had friends in their classes. photo by McGrath

PERSONALITY SKETCHES

Change, going back to the drawing board, and making new rules greeted students along with a new headmaster, Mr. William Wassel. Besides the change in the schedule and a few new rules, the students were still the same students trying to achieve the best they could.

National Merit Semi-finalists such as Richard Chang, Kristen Draper and Jennifer Stevens, were just a few of the people recognized for their academic achievements. Heather Randolph was a Black American National Merit Semi-finalist. Senior Joyce Ho attended MASP over the summer at Milton Academy and was also given recognition in Math excellence and she was a recipient of the Rennsselaer Award.

Achievements were made not only in the field of academics, but in the establishment of a new school and community based club, Interact. The active involvement of students in this and other clubs, such as Peer Assistants, S.A.D.D., Stone Soup and many others contributed to the climate of getting back to the basic values of helping within the community. These clubs ranged from academically based clubs like National Honor Society to voluntary service based clubs like Key Club. Whatever students' preference, they were bound to find an activity in which they could excel.

Denise Brown

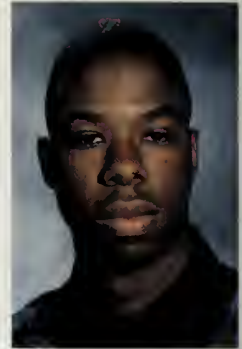


► Lockers are confusing and hard to find for students on the first day of school. Mrs. Spear helped an anxious freshman, Chad Edgar, with his locker combination. photo by McGrath



▼ During a free in the gym foyer, Bill Walsh And Jenn O'Rourke talk while studying. Many students enjoy the gym foyer more than the cafe, because they can lie down and relax. photo by R. Preus

▼ Tom Wright gets a chance to take a nap during a free. A free moment was much appreciated because it was a chance to get away from all the pressure. photo by R. Preus



With the end drawing near, seniors exclaimed...

Freedom !!! Out the Door in '94

Senioritis began to spread through the class of 94 from the first day like an epidemic. With the changes in the administration and the overflow of new rules, students were in a fever of excitement. "The change that I think is the worst, is assigned study for seniors. It's senior year, we should have a few privileges" exclaimed Colin Lynch. "I don't like the fact that I had more privileges as a junior than I do as a senior" exclaimed Ken Tocci.

Another change that seemed to really irritate seniors was the way the new lunch schedule works. Tina Wright argued that "The same lunch all the time is boring, there is no variety in who you eat lunch with." Karen Brum agreed "I like the new lunch schedule because I know what lunch I'll have everyday. But on the other hand, I don't like it because I'm always with the same people and I always have the

same class period 5 or L block".

With the prospect of college staring many students right in the face, excitement and anxiety went hand in hand. Most seniors seemed excited to get out of high school and get on with the rest of their lives. "I am very excited about college and all the new experiences I'll have" said Chris Welch. Jen Martino looked forward to college because "It's a place to make new friends". Many seniors worried about keeping up their grades and about what college they would get into. "getting good grades so I can get into the college of my choice and not end up pumping gas the rest of my life" is a major concern of Pat Murray.

They looked forward to the end of their senior year for the following reasons: "getting out and finally moving on" said Sean Irwin.

"having freshman look up to you" remarked P.J McConville and Ryan Preus said "The best thing is that we're graduating." Although the seniors were excited to get out, they realized that they were leaving their friends and all the people that they met, "I will miss some of the fun classes and teachers I've had" said Darren Scartissi. With another year passed this year's class of 266 seniors moved on to college and whatever else lied ahead. Ramsey Porteus Shawn Connors





Agapito, Marisa.

Chorus 1, Indoor Track 2,3, Junior Achievement 3, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Peer Counseling 2,3,4, Sadd 1, School Committee Rep 4, Science Fair 3, Softball 1,2, Student Government 3,4, Key Club 3,4, Powder Puff Football 2.

Akoury, Jacqueline.

Cheerleader 1,2,3,4, Dance Squad 1, Prom Committee 3.

Albrecht, Ann.

Amnesty International 2,3,4, Band 1,2,3,4, Jazz Band 2,3,4, Orchestra 2,3,4, Science Fair 1,3, Stone Soup 4.

Alfeo, Anthony.

Alfeo, Teresa.

Prom Committee 4, Sadd 2, Softball 1,2,3, Yearbook 3.

Arrington, Julius.

Basketball 1,2.

Barbuto, Michael.

Baseball 1,2,3,4, Football 3, Junior Achievement 4(President).

Beack, Jea Na.

Cross Country 2,3, French Honor Society 2,3,4, Math Team 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Orchestra 1, Key Club 3,4, Cultural Awareness Club 3,4.

Beals, Shane.

Benoit, Nicholas.



▲ While relaxing in the library, Justin McLaughlin reads an article in *SKIING* magazine. While the library is mainly a place to do research and study, many people use it as a place to take a break and relax.

photo by R. Preus

◀ While doing work in school, Greg Googins focuses on the Varsity football team's first home game of the year. It was hard for athletes to concentrate on school, the day of a game, because they were so excited.

photo by R. Preus



The Smallest Senior Class Ever Had People Asking...

Where Is Everyone?

Whoever said that bigger is better, wasn't thinking about the class of 1994. With only 266 students, the smallest class ever passed through the halls of the school. But, as senior Sean Coppney stated, "It's not the size that matters, it's the quality of the class." After reaching a high mark in 1978 with 740 graduating seniors, the senior classes have steadily decreased, hitting an all time low in the twentieth class to graduate from this building.

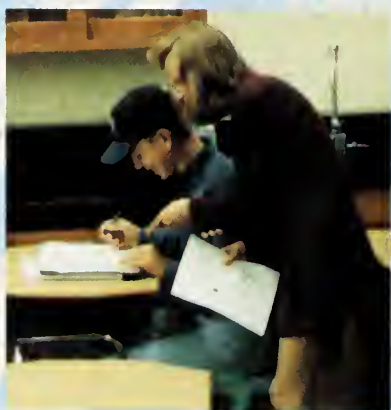
In 1975, the school was filled to capacity with six homerooms meeting in the cafeteria due to lack of space. With such a small number of students, the building is underutilized to the point that some of the class rooms are

never even used.

The very small size of the class created some problems for students but also had some good aspects. The major drawback with the small class was the problem in scheduling. Without enough students to sign up for classes, many courses were either canceled or not offered. Many other classes were held with very small numbers of students. These small classes however, were also a plus for students as senior Mike Cusack related, "I get more attention from the teachers since they have fewer students." Other students thought that the size of the class didn't really matter. "It just means graduation

will be shorter," stated senior Rich Chang.

Some students however, saw a more significant difference caused by the class size. With a class as small as this one, a special closeness arose between the students. As senior Bill Walsh said, "You get to know a higher percentage of your classmates. It's like a family." This kind of attitude gave the class of 1994 a special closeness and school spirit second to none. With this class, the quantity didn't make a difference, but the quality did. *Ed Gardner, Jen Early*

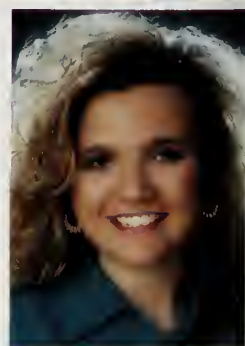
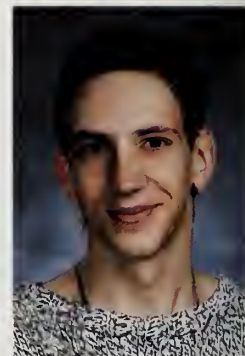


On a rainy September morning, Mike Cuddy, Rich Chang, Mike Cusack, and Brandon Candura gather in room A-347 to discuss the task at hand. The limited number of students enrolled in this A.P. Physics class made Mr Engstrom's teaching job easier. photo by C.Higgins

Because of the small class size, Jen Wood is able to help Steve Troup correct the homework assigned by Mr O'Connor the previous night. The small class size allowed students to learn more about each other and make new friends. photo by C.Higgins



Mike Cuddy and Brandon Candura share a joke in science class as Ka Wing Tse takes notes. The students of Mr. Engstrom's Block 3 class experienced a closeness that was lacking in other classes due to the number of students. With only about 270 students in the senior class, this experience was able to be shared by many other seniors. photo by C Higgins





Birolini, Daniel.

Baseball 1,2,3,4, Golf 1,2,3,4 Junior Achievement(President), Prom Committee 3,4.

Blaney Paul.

Band 1, National Honor Society 3,4, Science Fair 1,3, Soccer 1,2,3,4.

Briggs, Keith.

Sadd 1.

Brown, Charlotte.

Sadd 1.

Brum, Karen.

Chorus 1,2,3,4, Dance Squad 4, Musical Theatre Guild 3,4, Key Club 3.



Bryant-Donahue, Janet.

Filene's Basement 1,2, Franvale Nursing Home 3,4.

Cadete, Jennifer.

Gymnastics 1, Homeroom Rep 3, Yearbook 3.

Candelero, John.

Candura, Brandon.

Class Officer 4(Rep), French Honor Society 2,3, Hockey 1,2,3,4(Captain) Homeroom Rep 2,3,4, Junior Achievement 4, Math Team 2,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Sadd 1,2, Soccer 1,2,3,4, Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Student Government 4, Musical Theatre Guild 3,4, Key Club 4.

Cash, William.



Castle, John.

Prom Committee 3.

Cavicchi, Jeffrey.

Hockey 1,2,3,4.

Chang, Richard.

Class Officer 4, French Honor Society 2,3,4, Homeroom Rep 1,2,3, Indoor Track 1,2,4, Cross Country 1,2,3,4, National Honors Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Science Fair 3, Spring Track 2,3,4, Key Club 3,4.

Chang, Shih-Ting.

Cross Country 1,2,3,4, French Honor Society 2,3,4, Indoor Track 1,2,3,4, Junior Achievement 4(V.P.) Math Team 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Peer Counseling 2,3,4, Science Fair 1,2,3, Tennis 1,2,3,4.

Christopher, Abigail.

Basketball 1,2, Class Officer 1(V.P.),2(President), Exchange Host Family 2, Spain Trip 2, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Peer Counseling 2,3,4, Sadd 1,2,3,4, Soccer 1, Spanish Honor Society 2,3(V.P.),4(V.P.), Fitness Trainer 1,2,3,4, Spring Track 1, Student Government 3(Treasurer),4(President), Musical Theatre Guild 2,4, Yearbook 2, Principal Search Committee 3, Handbook Review Committee 3, Guidance Aid 1,2,3,4, Cultural Awareness 2, BHS News Column 4.



Ciolek, Carina.

Dance Squad 2.

Cirignano, Laurie.

Coffey, Brian.

A.V. Aid 3, Golf 1, Lab Aide 1,2,3,4, Ski Club 4.

Coffey, Charissa.

Yearbook 3.

Connors, Shawn.

Football 1,2,3,4(Captain), Indoor Track 2,3,4, Prom Committee 4, Sadd 4, Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Wrestling 1, Key Club 4.



Crisp, Victoria.

Cheerleading 1,2, Dance Team 1,2.

Cuddy, Michael.

Baseball 1,2, Class Officer 4(Class Rep), Cross Country 3,4, Homeroom Rep 1,2,3, Indoor Track 2,3,4, Math Team 1,2,3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Sadd 1,2,3,4, School Committee Rep 4, Science Fair 2,3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 3,4, Key Club 2,3,4, Band 1,2,3,4, Jazz Band 3,4, Math Team 2,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Science Fair 1,2,3,4, Yearbook 4.

Cyphers, Eric.

Band 1,2,3,4, Jazz Band 4 Orchestra 3,4, Quebec Trip 3.

Darche, Michelle.

Amnesty International 3, Chorus 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4.

Davenport, Kendra.

Gymnastics 2, Prom Committee 3,4, Sadd 1,2, Ski Club 1,2, Key Club 3, After School Yearbook 4.



➤ Helping out the cheerleaders, seniors Mike Irving and Mike Morancheer on the football team. The added support is always appreciated by the football team. photo by R. Preus

▼ Enthusiastic fans watch the half-time show at a Braintree vs. Framingham football game. Sophomores Kerry O'Brien, Katie DeLuca, and Jen O'Neil watched with smiles and enjoyment. photo by R. Preus



It's Friday the final bell has rung, now what?

Weekend Fun or Weekend Boredom?

Don't know what to do for weekend fun? Well maybe you could....."Go to a concert, go to Boston, or go to the beach", like senior Chris Grugan enjoyed doing in his spare time on weekends. Many seniors spent their weekends with their friends, such as senior Brandon Candura who replied "I like to go out with my friends and my girlfriend to the movies on the weekend."

Many seniors used the weekends to kickback, relax and take a break from the working atmosphere both academically and occupationally. Senior Tabitha Toy exclaimed "The free time is what I most enjoy about my weekends, because I can use it to spend time with my boyfriend to go out to eat at Papa Ginos".

Since the beginning of the first grade,

every kid has looked forward to Friday. Knowing the weekend was beginning, meant no school and having a great time with either family, friends, or both. "Forced family fun weekends are annoying but they can be fun and profitable", replied senior Hale Hack.

Many teenagers had lots of activities planned for their weekends, such as senior Abigail Christopher, "I work at C.V.S., play sports and go to parties." Many students have to get up early on the weekends to play or practice sports. "I have to be in by 10:00 p.m. on a Friday or Saturday night in order to be up by 8:00 the next morning to go play football or to practice", explained junior Tony Petreyko.

"Every weekend I have to get up and go to soccer practice on Saturday

morning, and on Sunday I have to get up early again to go to church," Sophomore Lenore Herget remarked while munching on her sandwich during lunch with her friends.

Sunday night was designated by the majority of students as the 'homework scramble starting line.' Finding out that schoolwork was last on the list for things to do on the weekend was no surprise to anyone. Vicki Adams, Beth King, and Lynne Belyea





▲ At a Braintree football game, everyone stares as Braintree goes for a touchdown. Juniors Dana Williams and Jason Sentas cheer on a play made by Braintree. photo by R. Preus

▲ Hanging out with friends at a football game is a favorite weekend pastime. Senior Danielle Perry and sophomore Dennis O'Connell enjoyed the game against Framingham. photo by R. Preus



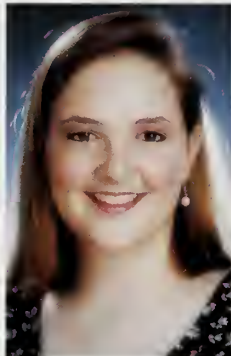
Delorie, Paul.
Yearbook 1.
Delucca, Danielle.
Prom Committee 3,4, Saddle 1,2, Softball 1, Ski Club 1,2 Key Club 1,2, Yearbook 3.
Delvecchio, Eric.
Soccer 1,2, Baseball 1.
DesLauriers, Aimee.
Project Prove Aide 3, Class Officer 4.
Diauto, Eric.

Diauto, Kerri.
Prom Committee 3,4, Yearbook 2,3, Key Club 3.
Donahoe, Colleen.
Math Team 1, Prom Committee 3,4, Softball 1, Key Club 3, Yearbook 3.
Donahue, Craig.
Donnellan, Maureen.
Doody, Sandra.

Downing, Erin.
Saddle 1.
Draper, Kristen.
Amnesty International 3, Chorus 1,2, French Honor Society 2,3,4, Exchange Host Family 4, Homeroom Rep 1,2,3, Math Team 2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Peer Counseling 1,2,3,4, Saddle 1, Science Fair 1, Spring Track 2, Musical Theatre Guild 3.
Drew, Katherine.
Basketball 1, Class Officer 3(Secretary), Homeroom Rep 1, Junior Achievement 4, Prom Committee 3,4, Science Fair 3, Soccer 1,2,3,4, Student Government 1,2,3,4(Secretary), Tennis 3,4.
Duffy, Heather.
Band 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Science Fair 3, Softball 1.
Dwyer, James.
Indoor Track 1, Science Fair 2, Volleyball 1, Wrestling 2,3, Yearbook 3.

Early, Jennifer.
Field Hockey 1, Prom Committee 3,4, Softball 1,2,3,4, Yearbook 4(Editor).
Ennis, Scott.
Soccer 1,2,3,4.
Fasano, Robert.
Football 1,2.
Field, Joanne.
Flaherty, Shannon.
Dance Squad 2.

Fleming, Melissa.
Cheerleading 1, Prom Committee 3, Soccer 4.
Flynn, Coleen.
Amnesty International 3, Project Prove Aide 1,2, Homeroom Rep 1, Prom Committee 4, Yearbook 3,4(Editor), After School Yearbook 2.
Foley, Amanda.
Cheerleading Fall + Winter 2,3,4, Dance Squad 1, Prom Committee 3,4.
Fontana, Philip.
Indoor Track 3,4, Volleyball 2,3,4.
Ford, Christopher.
France/Italy Trip 2, Junior Achievement 4.



Like they say

Make New Friends But Keep The Old...

You've got to have friends. When you've had a bad day or have a huge problem, sometimes friends, especially longtime ones, were the only sure things.

Friends can be hard to find. Well, true ones that is. Althea Stevens stated, "You never know who your real friends are until something happens when you need them. That's the test to see whether or not they stick by you." Jason Ryder added, "When one of my good friends got in a severe water-skiing accident, it made me realize how much he meant to me."

Sadly, there were

always troubles that jeopardize even the best of friendships. Many friends had petty arguments that could put them on non-speaking terms for days. Sophomore Katie Wyatt remembered fights with her best friend, "We'd get in fights over stupid things like who sang a certain song or what date a certain album came out." Not all relationships remained longtime friendships, however. Malissa Hunt commented, "When you become close with someone and spend all of your time with them, you begin to notice little things about each other that annoy you. Unfortunately over time you can grow apart."

Students whose friendships had already lasted

through years of joys and sorrows, knew that they would still keep in touch and be there for each other after they graduated from high school. Danielle Perry declared, "If two people really want to stay in touch, they'll just have to perfect their letter writing skills."

No one quality could be labelled as the key ingredient to friendships. Ameera Hassan explained, "A longtime friend means always having a person to confide in, someone who'll listen to your long boring stories and laugh at your stupid jokes." Many of these special friends had been together through elementary, junior high, and high school. Everyone agreed, close friends were great to have around. *Lindsey McHugh, Kate Rogan*



▲ Linking arms affectionately, friends Jen McIsaac, Carolyn Herzog, and Rich Chang walk together. Seniors cherished their last times together before leaving high school. photo by McGrath



▲▲ Walking into school on the first day, friends Tiffany Ryder and Stephanie Minchello talk about the joys of being a senior. The two girls had been friends all through high school. photo by McGrath



▲ Some things never change...Friends Leo Hart and Jason Ryder play together as little boys. The two were still seen laughing and joking together in high school, many years later. photo by parent



Are they really camera shy or just not interested?

Stop! Don't Shoot!

Some students did not get the opportunity to smile out from the pages of their yearbook, while others did not care to be photographed.

"Some people are self-conscious and just don't want people to see pictures of them they don't like," senior Jill Geary explained. High school was a time of many difficult changes, causing little problems, such as acne that "spotted" their appearance. Junior Melissa Pope declared, "Freshmen year, the day we were supposed to get our school picture taken, a huge zit formed on my nose, so I didn't get photographed!"

Sometimes students wanted to be in the yearbook, but never got a chance. Yearbook students tried to get to everyone, but

some were left out. Senior Kate Riley explained, "If people really wanted to be in the yearbook, they could bring in pictures of themselves." This policy was advertized all over the school. Junior Erin Stracuzzi meant to do this, but never got around to it. "I had really great pictures of my friends and I taken over the summer, but I didn't have the time, and I couldn't remember to bring them in." While upperclassmen may have been guilty of procrastination, freshmen were unaware of the way the school worked. Senior Danielle Perry exclaimed, "It is hard for the freshmen because everything was so new for them, and they were to intimidated to bring their pictures in."

Students were encouraged to give quotes and pictures to the yearbook, but some didn't have the time. The staff tried to alleviate this problem by creating a black-ball list. Junior Andrea Smalls stated that, "I feel that the blackout policy is a really good idea. It gives everyone equal coverage."

"I know that in years to come, I will look back on my yearbook and remember the friends and the good times," added senior Amy McHugh. So, whoever you were who did not want to be in the yearbook, smile and say "cheese!" *Elizabeth Mawn, Chris Jamele, Katie Durfee*



▲ Junior Jason Jope tries to ignore the camera and enjoy his bus ride home. Cameras are always watching over students, be in school or on the bus. photo by McGrath

▲ Freshman Nicole Wood is caught by the camera. Yearbook people are always sneaking up on unsuspecting students. photo by McGrath

▲ Freshman Keith Jennings hides from the camera. Students that were camera shy often acted as if they were in the federal witness protection program. photo by McGrath



**Froio, Jacqueline.**

Alternative Program 2,3,4, Cheerleading 1, Homeroom Representative 1,4, Dance Squad 1, Quebec Trip 1,2,3,4, Student Government 4.

Froio, Jonathan.

Class Officer 2,3,4, Football 1,2,3, Homeroom Rep 1, Prom Committee 3,4.

Furness, Stephen.

Baseball 1,2,3,4, Soccer 1,2, Yearbook 4.

Galvin, Dennis.

Homeroom Rep 1,2,3,4, Indoor Track 2,3,4, Junior Achievement 3, Prom Committee 3,4, Soccer 1,2,3,4, Fitness Trainer 3,4, Spring Track 2,3,4.

Gardner, Edward.

Cross Country 4, French Honor Society 2,3,4, Indoor Track 1,2,3,4, Math Team 4, National Honor Society 3,4, Soccer 1,2,3, Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Yearbook 4, Key Club 4.

Geary, Jill.

Junior Achievement 4, Prom Committee 3,4, Saddle 1,2, Softball 1, Soccer 1,2,3,4(Captain), Tennis 3,4, Yearbook 3.

Goode, Kenneth.**Googins, Gregory.****Greco, Anthony.****Greco, Charles.**

Lab Aide 2,3,4, Soccer 1.

Grugan, Christopher.

Cross Country 3,4, Exchange Host Family 2, Golf 1, Indoor Track 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Exchange Host Family 2, Saddle 1,2,3,4, Science Fair 1,2,4, Ski Club 1,2,3, Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 3,4, Key Club 2,3,4.

Guerschuny, Gavin.

Football 3,4, Volleyball 2, Key Club 4.

Ha, Levina.

Cultural Exchange 3,4, National Honor Society 4.

Hack, Hale.

Baseball 1, Cross Country 2,3,4(Captain), Hockey 1, Indoor Track 2,3,4, (Captain) Prom Committee 4, Tennis 2,3,4(Captain) Key Club 4, Yearbook 1,3,4, Spring Track 4.

Hallisey, Robert**Hankes, Erin.**

Homeroom Rep 3, Prom Committee 4, Saddle 2, Spanish Honor Society 3,4, Yearbook 3,4(Editor), Key Club 2.

Hassan, Ameera.

Class Officer(V.P.) 3,4, Field Hockey 1, Orchestra 1,2,3(Treasurer),4(President), Prom Committee 3,4, Saddle 1,2,3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 1,2,3(Producer),4(Exec. Producer), BHS String Quartet 1,2,3,4 Key Club 2 Yearbook 2.

Healy, Lynda**Healy, Sharon.****Height, Alexandria.**

Cheerleading 2, Class Officer 1.

Henderson, Jennifer.

Homeroom 1,2,3,4, Soccer 1,2.

Henriksen, Michael.**Henriksen, Robert.**

Golf 1, Jazz 4, Wrestling 1.

Herzog, Carolyn.

Amnesty International 3,4, Band 1,2,3,4, Class Officer 1, Cross Country 1,2,3,4, Gymnastics 3, Jazz Band 2,3,4, Math Team 2,3, National Honor Society 3,4, Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Key Club 3,4.

Higgins, Christopher.

Amnesty International 1, Cross Country 3,4, France/Italy Trip 2, Homeroom Rep 1,2,3,4, Indoor Track 1,2,3,4, Math Team 2, Prom Committee 3,4, Quebec Trip 2, Saddle 1,2,3,4, Soccer 1,2, Spring Track 1,3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 2,3,4, Yearbook 3,4.



¶ Seniors Steve Small and Nicole Metro study vocabulary together. Studying with friends often made it more enjoyable and easier. photo by B. Kane

¶ Senior Steve Furness takes a short break while studying. Many breaks were necessary because studying was often tedious. photo by B. Kane



Student anxiety and tension as they debated...

S.A.T.'s: Friend or Foe?

"Oh, I hate them," was often heard when talking about the S.A.T.'s. The S.A.T.'s were one of the first steps in the college admissions process. A good number of students took the test at Archbishop Williams High School in Braintree; some others took them in Weymouth, Milton, or Hingham. As the students prepared to take what they felt was the most important test of their lives, they sensed tension and pressure.

The pressure of the S.A.T.'s got to some students, such as senior Rich Chang who shouted, "Shut-up!!" to a distracting student beside him while taking the test. "I'm always worried I'll run out of time and get a horrible score, not get into college, and work

in a gas station for the rest of my life," stated senior Pat Murray. Chris Grugan, senior, felt little pressure because, "I knew I could take them over, if I messed up." Senior Gavin Guerschuny expressed the same thought, "I didn't feel much pressure because in my mind I knew they were like the P.S.A.T.'s, so I knew what I was doing."

Senior Danielle Perry felt that they should be weighed less in the college admissions process. "I think the high school transcript should be weighed more than the S.A.T.'s, because it's more important for them to know what kind of student you are." Many other students expressed this same opinion, "It is impossible to judge a person on one test on a

certain day," said senior Cheryl Sandison.

Many students took different ways to prepare for the test. Braintree High offered S.A.T. Review Classes for both English and Math for some students, while others took practice tests by themselves, or just got a good night's sleep.

When it was all said and done, all of the students were just happy it was over. *John Campbell, Jonathan McSheffrey*





Higgins, Keith.

Baseball 1,3, Chorus 1,2,3, Tennis 2.

Ho, Joyce.

Chorus 3, Math Team 2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Science Fair 2, 3, Spanish Honor Society 3,4, Stone Soup 3,4, Cultural Exchange Club 2,3,4.

Holmes, Joseph.

Football 1,2,3,4, Orchestra 1,2,3,4.

Hynes, Kerry.

Band 1,2,3,4, French Honor Society 3,4, France/Italy Trip 2, Indoor Track 1,2,3,4, (Captain), Jazz Band 2,3,4, Junior Achievement 4, Prom Committee 4, National Honor Society 4, Science Fair 1,2,3,4, Soccer 1,2,3, Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 2,3, Key Club 2,4.

Ivens, Stephen.

Jackson, George.

Baseball 1,2,3,4, Golf 1,2,3,4, Indoor Track 3,4, Junior Achievement 4, Prom Committee 4, Yearbook 3.

Jensen, Benjamin.

Special Olympics 1,2,3,4, Franvale Nursing Home 3,4.

Jew, Jenny.

Junior Achievement 4(V.P.), Math Team 1, Prom Committee 3,4, Sadd 2, Yearbook 4.

Johnson, Edward.

Jordan, Bonnie.



▲ Senior Ann Albrecht reviews vocabulary for the S.A.T. Going over math and English skills proved helpful to scoring well. photo by R. Preus

▲ Senior Ray Walker gets advise from Ms. Jacqueline Dix-Smith on taking the S.A.T.'s. Any tips a student recieved, was an added bonus. photo by McGrath



Kane, Brendan.

Junior Achievement 4(V.P.), Math Team 2,3,4 National Honor Society 4, Prom Committee 3,4, Science Fair 3, Tennis 1,2,3,4, Yearbook 2,3,4(photo editor).

Kardaris, Effe.

Exchange Host Family 3,4, Spain Trip 3, Junior Achievement 4, Prom Committee 3,4, Spanish Honor Society 3,4, (V.P.), Volleyball 1,2,3,4, Key Club 4.

Keefe, Tracey.

Basketball 1,2,3, French Trip 4, Homeroom Rep 1,2, Indoor Track 4, Math Team 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 1,3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Sadd 2,3,4, Softball 1,2, Soccer 1,2,3,4, Spring Track 3,4, Key Club 3,4.

Kelleher, Brian.

Class Officer 2, Football 1,2,3,4, Indoor Track 4, Spring Track 4.

Kelly, Brian.

Basketball 1, Soccer 1,2, Spring Track 3,4.

Kelly, Paul.

Golf 1,2, Indoor Track 3,4, Junior Achievement 4, Spring Track 3,4.

Keogh, David.

Golf 2,3,4, Junior Achievement 4(V.P.), Math Team 1,2, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3, Soccer 1, Tennis 3,4, Yearbook 3.

Koopman, James.

Basketball 1,2, Soccer 1,2, Indoor Track 4.

Kusser, Michelle.

Gymnastics 1,2.

Lacey, Caren.

Chorus 1,2,3,4, French Honor Society 3,4, Exchange Host Family 2, France/Italy Trip 4, Indoor Track 3, Orchestra 2,3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Peer Counseling 3,4, Quebec Trip 1, Exchange Host Family 2, Sadd 1,2,3,4, Science Fair 1, Spring Track 3, Musical Theatre Guild 2,3,4.

Laneau, Brian.

Baseball 1,2,3,4, Basketball 1,2,3,4, Soccer 1,2,3,4 (Captain).

Laslie, Mathew.**Lauria, Michelle.**

Cross Country 1,2,3,4, Indoor Track 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 4, Orchestra 1,2,3,4, Sadd 1,2,4, Science Fair 2,3, Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Key Club 2.

Legg, Jennifer.

Cross Country 2, Spring Track 1,2,3.

Liang, Yu.

Science Fair 3, National Honor Society 3, Science Fair 3, Cultural Exchange Club 2,3,4.



↑ Receiving help from Mrs. Welch, Effe Kardaris realizes the importance of maintaining good grades for college. An impressive high school transcript was a crucial requirement for a college acceptance. photo by McGrath



↑ At the Metco office, Mr. Jackson aides Julius Arrington in narrowing down his choice of schools by looking over some college pamphlets. Many faculty members gladly helped seniors with their college preparations. photo by McGrath



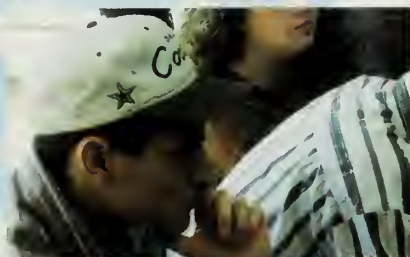


↓ Spending time at the guidance office, Melanie Viau begins to fill out a college application. Many seniors found that they spent more time at the guidance office preparing for college than going to their frees. photo by McGrath



↓ Scott Thihoutot sits pensively in free. It was obvious to everyone that Scott, like all other seniors, was dealing with college pressure. photo by McGrath

↓ Answering phones and helping with errands, Laurie Cirignano spends her free time at the house office. Colleges not only looked at grades for a college acceptance, they also considered school activities. photo by McGrath



What are your plans for the future? If college is the answer... Warning: Bumpy Road Ahead while Preparing for College

Stress. Tension. Confusion. These were all characteristics of college pressure. Although many people viewed senior year as being worry free, in actuality, this was when the pressure began.

Senior year and college preparations began simultaneously. While many students had only gone as far as narrowing down their choice of schools, other students like Paul Kelly had little left to do. "I'm all done with the hardest part... now I've just got to wait for the acceptances to roll in." This relaxed outlook, however, was not the attitude shared by all students.

Many classmates agreed with senior Jon Froio when he

admitted, "I'm very nervous that I will not be able to keep up with all the work that's necessary for a college acceptance." Although the work seemed overwhelming, many students received support from those around them. Senior Jen Martino stated, "My older sister has experienced the college process already. She helped me through periods of time when I wasn't sure of what I was supposed to do."

The emphasis of college was exhibited by parents, teachers, and friends to seniors everyday. Seniors were frequently urged to prepare for college. They realized the importance of college, as senior Danielle DeLucca demonstrated, "College is the basis for the rest of your life." Although college would

not guarantee a stable future, it gave people a headstart in life. Therefore, many students felt that college was the best choice. "Both of my parents went to college. They understand the value of an extended education and I have realized how much further it can take you, that's why I've decided to go," declared senior Maria Thompson.

Most students believed that the amount of pressure put on them was not excessive. According to senior Scott Thiboutot, "Without a little pressure, no one would have been motivated to accomplish anything." Senior Matt Nichols indicated, "There's not too much pressure...just enough to make you aware that there is life after graduation." Simply stated, get ready, get set, go to college. *Jen Wood and Jenny Jew*



Longahard, Wayne.

Lydon, Michael.

Basketball 1,2,3,4(Captain), Golf 3,4, Math Team 2,3, National Honor Society 3,4, Soccer 1.

Lyman, Melinda.

Cross Country 3, Field Hockey 1, Brain Injured Center Aide 4.

Lynch, Colin.

Baseball 1,2,3,4(Captain), Football 1,2,3,4(Captain), Hockey 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Science Fair 3,4, Student Government 1,2,3,4(V.P.)

Lyons, Nancy.

Key Club 2, Yearbook 3,4(Editor).

Lyons, Richard.

A.V. Aide 1,2,3,4, Basketball 1,2,3,4, Golf 1,2,3,4(Captain), Homeroom Rep 4, Prom Committee 3,4, Sadd 4, Student Government 4, Tennis 3,4.

Macdonald, Dianna.

Madyn, Kai.

Field Hockey 3,4, Orchestra 1,2,3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 3,4.

Markowski, Amanda.

Basketball 1,2,3,4, Chorus 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Science Fair 2,3, Soccer 1,2,3,4, Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Key Club 3,4.

Martino, Jennifer.

Band 1,2, Chorus 3,4, Quebec 3, Musical Theatre Guild 2.

McCarthy, Tara.

Band 1,2,3,4, Field Hockey 1,2,3,4(Captain) Prom Committee 3,4, Quebec Trip 3, Sadd 1,2,3,4, Stone Soup 3,4, Key Club 4.

McConville, Paul.

McDonagh, Maryellen

Basketball 1,2,3,4(Captain), Cross Country 1,2,3,4(Captain), French Honor Society 2,3, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Sadd 1,2, Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Key Club 3.

McDonough, Kathryn.

McGrath, Mary.

Basketball 1,2, Softball 1,2,3, Volleyball 3,4.

McGrath, Patricia.

Basketball 1, Softball 1,2,3,4, Volleyball 2,3.

McHugh, Amy.

Chorus 1,2,3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Sadd 1,2,3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 2,3,4.

McHugh, David.

Band 1,2,3,4, Gymnastics 1, Jazz Band 2,3, Stone Soup 1.

McIsaac, Jennifer.

Cross Country 1,2,3,4, French Honor Society 2,3,4, Indoor Track 2,3,4, Math Team 1, Spring Track 1,2,4.

McLaughlin, Justin

Football 1,2,3,4, Indoor Track 3,4, Ski Club 3, Spring Track 2,3,4, Yearbook 4.

McLeod, Amy.

Stone Soup 2,3,4.

McMahon, Michelle.

McSheffrey, Jonathan.

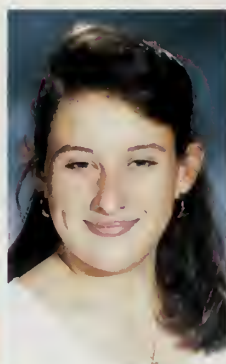
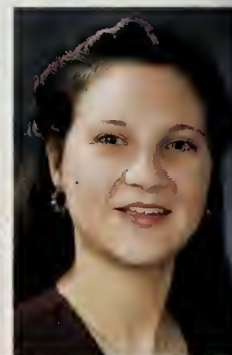
Indoor Track 3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Soccer 1,2,3,4 Captain, Spring Track 3,4, Yearbook 3,4 Editor.

Melanson, Derek.

Junior Achievement 4, Wrestling 1.

Minchello, Stephanie.

Cheerleading Winter 1,2,3,4, Fall 2,3,4, Homeroom Rep 2, Dance Squad 1, Prom Committee 4, Spring Track 2,3,4.



Broken mirrors, lucky numbers and lucky charms

Explaining the Unexplainable

Do you think superstitions are realistic? Sophomore Katie Wyatt does. "I think superstitions are valid because everyone needs something to believe in." Yet Alicia Gray, another sophomore, disagrees. "Many times superstitions are not based on fact and can sound really dumb when you say them."

"Superstitions are ways of explaining certain experiences that are hard to figure out," expressed sophomore Stacey Sampson.

Lucky charms are carried by many people to bring them good luck. A lucky charm could be anything, from a rabbits' foot to a favorite rock. Sophomore Julie Higgins has an unusual lucky

charm. "I carry two lucky nickels with the dates of 1969. This is because the coolest event in history happened in 1969 and that was Woodstock. They also make me feel lucky when I have them." Sophomore, Lenore Herget does not carry a lucky charm anymore. "I did once and it did not work."

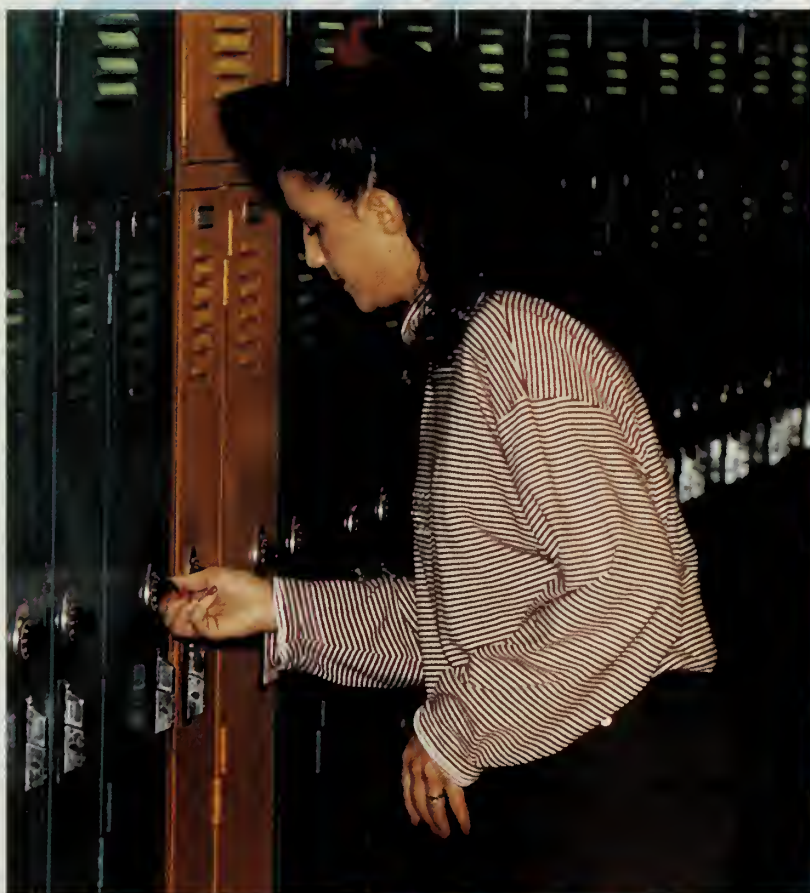
Others have a lucky number instead of a lucky charm. "My lucky number is 69. 69 is my favorite number because $6+9$ equals my age of 15. So far, 15 has been a really good age." Ali Monac, sophomore, revealed. Sophomore Katy Young has a lucky number fifty-three knots smaller than 69. "My lucky number is 16 because it is the

day of my birthday and I am chemically drawn to that number."

People that do not believe in superstitions may find it hard not to laugh at others that do, but not Melissa Ruozzi. "I would try never to laugh at a person who believed in superstitions because everyone has a right to their own opinions, besides, it's rude."

Superstitions, facts of fiction? Realism or Romantic? Until the day that science discovers all the answers that people are looking for, don't walk under too many ladders and try not to break many mirrors.

Katilyn MacDonald and Anne Hurlebaus



▲ Fumbling with her combination, Lauren Lesogor tries to get into her locker to get her books for next class. Many students may have found it unlucky to have a locker of an odd color. photo by McGrath



▲ A student walks casually through a graveyard. Obviously he didn't think it was unlucky or scary like many students did. photo by C. Higgins



▲ Riding the bus may not be a scary situation, but what if the only seat left was the thirteenth? Lauren Elias did not give it a thought. photo by McGrath



Mochen, Thomas.

Baseball 1,2, Soccer 1,2,3,4.

Molloy, Keri

Mondello, Ann Marie.

Volleyball 3.

Moore, Chad.

Alternative Program 3,4, Football 1.

Moran, Michael

Baseball 2, Cruss Country 4, Football 1,2,3, Jazz Band 3,4,

Junior Achievement 4, Orchestra 1,3,4, Prom Committee 3,4,

Spring Track 3,4, Musical Theater Guild 3,4, Yearbook 4, Key

Club 3,4 (Secretary), Forum Coordinator 4.



Morgan, Julie.

Chorus 1,2,3,4 (President), Indoor Track 2, Jazz Band 3, Sadd 1,

Spring Track 2, Ensemble Trip/Europe 3.

Morley, Alicia.

Murray, Patrick.

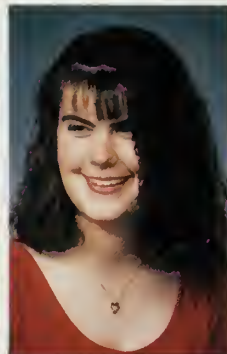
Football 1,2,3,4, Indoor Track 3,4, Spring Track 1,2,3,4.

Myers, Susann.

Band 1,2,3,4, Orchestra 2,3,4, Prom Committee 4, Science

Fair 1.

Nee, Nora.



Nichols, Matthew.

Football 1,2,3,4, Junior Achievement 4(V.P.), Science Fair 2,4,

Soccer 2, Tennis 1,2,3,4.

Nicklas, Andrew.

Band 1,2,3,4(Treasurer), Jazz Band 3,4, Junior Achievement 4,

Math Team 1,2,3,4, Orchestra 3,4, Science Fair 3, Soccer 4, Key

Club 3,4(Treasurer).

Norton, Kerri.

Cheerleading 1,2, Dance Squad 1,2, Prom Committee 3,4.

O'Connell, Jill.

Prom Committee 4, Sadd 2, Science Fair 3, Yearbook 3.

O'Gara, Matthew.

Band 1,2,3,4, Cross Country 1,2,3,4(Captain), Indoor Track

1,2,3,4(Captain), Jazz Band 2,3,4, Orchestra 3,4, Prom Commit-



▲ At the Comedy Connection in Boston, Paul Delorie and his girlfriend Danielle Alberti enjoy a show together. In town was a popular place to go on an out of school date. photo by E. Sullivan

► Busy at the football game, Andy Nicklas still finds time to talk with his girlfriend Tara Quinn. Even though it was difficult, couples found time to see each other somehow. photo by R. Preus





! At a night football game Giuseppe Olivadoti visits his girlfriend Carolyn Herzog between band performances. Some students opted to date inside of school and football games became ritual dates. photo by R.Preus



! Holly Bessant and Tom Wetzel find time to spend together between classes. Couples found that meeting at lockers was the best way to see one another. photo by R. Preus

!! A spirited greeting is exchanged by Tabatha Toy and her boyfriend, Steve Riley. After their

good luck hug, they set off for class. photo by McGrath



With school, sports, and work, students realized that their romances had to be...

Love on a Part-Time Basis

What does it cost to make an outside relationship work? A faithful commitment and a whole lot of trust were prerequisites, and couples found dating out of school presented distinct advantages and disadvantages.

One advantage, according to Cindy Rush, was that, "In school you have your school life, friends, and time alone, then outside of school you have your boyfriend and time spent with him." Kids valued the time they spent together more. Outside couples chose how much time they spent together, while in school couples were forced to meet on a daily basis.

When in school couples saw each other all of the time, they could begin to irritate one another. When couples didn't see each other in school every day, disagreements were easier to

handle. Eileen Holbrook, a junior, said, "Since we do not go out every night, my boyfriend and I do not fight as much about the little things that other couples do." The ability to get away from one's companion when necessary could be a real plus.

One advantage of not seeing that special someone as much as one would at the same school, Kerry Gibbons, a junior, explained, "I don't see him everyday, so when I see happy couples at school, I miss him all the more." Although they did not see the person as much as they would have liked, many people said that a relationship outside of school was much easier to handle. "If you break up with him, you don't have to see him every day," stated Mary McGrath, a senior. On the other hand, many felt that an in school relationship was better because you could see the person more frequently.

Another disadvantage was the problem of jealousy, because one did not know what was going on in the other school. Missy Sweeney, a junior, explained, "I worry, but only to a certain extent, not to the point where I let it create a problem." Some couples felt they could not trust each other to be faithful. Being in school with the person enabled one to keep an eye on what the other was doing.

Whether one's romance was inside school or out, both people needed to show commitment to be successful. Although all romances needed time and effort, outside of school romances needed more attention. When time and attention were given outside romances flourished and lasted. And as Aimee Burke summed up, "Distant relationships can work only if both people really want to be together, and he pays for everything!" Stephanie Porter, Nicole Toma, and Lisa McDonough



O'Keefe, John.

Basketball 1,2, Golf 4, Tennis 4.

O'Rourke, Jennifer.

Band 1,2, Junior Achievement 4, Prom Committee 3,4, Saddle 1,2, Ski Club 1,2, Soccer 1, Key Club 2,3,4.

Payzant, Todd.

Pearlstein, Jeffrey.

Band 1,2,3,4, Exchange Host Family 4, Spain Trip 4, Jazz Band 3,4, Quebec Trip 3, Volleyball 2,4.

Perry, Danielle.

Chorus 1,2,3,4(Secretary), French Honor Society 2,3,4, Math Team 2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Saddle 1,2,3,4, School Committee Rep 3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 2,3(Producer),4, Key Club 4.

Perry, Sandra.

Picewick, Dawn.

Cheerleading 1,2,3,4, Gymnastics 1,2,3,4, Orchestra 1,2,3,4, Spring Track 1,2,3,4.

Porteus, Richard.

Football 1,2,3,4(Captain), Indoor Track 3,4, Spring Track 2,3,4, Yearbook 4.

Preus, Ryan.

Basketball 2, Chorus 4, Homeroom Rep 3, Peer Counseling 2,3,4, Saddle 4, Soccer 1,2, Yearbook 1, Key Club 4.

Puliafico, Gabriella.

Amnesty International 3, Chorus 2,3,4, Exchange Host Family 4, Prom Committee 3.

Quinn, Melissa.

France Trip 4, Homeroom Rep 1,2,3, Junior Achievement 3, Prom Committee 3,4, Science Fair 2, Softball 1,2,3,4, Key Club 4, Volleyball 1,2,3,4(Captain).

Rattigan, Michael.

Richard, Michelle.

Special Olympics 1,2,3,4, Filene's Basement 1,2, Franvale Nursing Home 3,4.

Riley, Kathleen.

Cheerleading 2,3,4, Class Officer (President) 3,4, Homeroom Rep 1,2, Junior Achievement 4, Dance Squad 1,2, Prom Committee 3,4, Peer Counseling 2,3,4, Softball 1, Tennis 3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 1,2,3,4, Key Club 2.

Riley, Robert.



↓ Dejected, Mike Rubino, senior, walks to the sidelines after the game. The Braintree team battled England twice at the start of the season and wound up 1-0-1. photo by R. Preus



↓ The late afternoon sun shines on senior Mike Cuddy as he works at a local drug store. He worked weekends so that he could run x-country during the week. photo by B. Kane



▼ With great determination, Jill Geary and Renee Jackson look on as they wait for the start of the game. Their determination was an inspiring aspect to the soccer team. photo by McGrath

▼ Straightening out the shelves was part of Ryan Preus' job while working at Office Max. After school jobs proposed a big problem for students who played school sports. photo by McGrath

▼ D-ing up is Marisa Federico. She proved to be valuable to the team. photo by C. Higgins



Jobs and sports...

First Things First

Jobs or Sports, which comes first? Many students played school sports and held jobs. Kids felt there was enough pressure without worrying about performing well in class without the added pressure of trying to excel as an athlete on the team.

How did kids cope with the pressure? According to Matthew Pope, a junior on the Varsity Golf Team, "Sometimes my work at the Braintree Municipal Golf Course Pro Shop interferes with practice, but I try to manage my time so my work does not interfere with our matches." Being a player on the varsity team, Matt had practice everyday after school

which ended about 6:00 and matches did not usually finish until about 7:00.

Chris Psaros, also a junior and a member of the Varsity Golf Team, did not feel pressured with a job and a sport. Chris stated, "My work does not interfere because my boss is able to work around my practices and matches." Chris also worked at the Braintree Municipal Golf Course. Brandon Candura, a senior on the Varsity Soccer Team, also worked and played a sport. Brandon worked at The Lodge in the South Shore Plaza. Brandon commented, "It is difficult doing both, but my boss is very cooperative in giving me my hours and was able to plan around my games and practices."

Few kids were as fortunate as Matt, Chris, or Brandon. Melissa Quinn, a senior on the Varsity Volleyball Team, stated, "I get extremely tired when I get home, then I have to do my homework. The only free time I have are my two studies a day." Melissa's work at an engineering company required a lot of time and hard labor.

Some students had to choose which was more important. They chose one or even both. Those who chose both sometimes found themselves wishing they had not done so. According to Chris Psaros, "Life is short and if you don't stop to have fun you might miss something." *Darren Scartissi, Steve Furness.*



► Grabbing a quick snack and some conversation, Adam Umbro and his classmates wait to be seated row by row. photo by McGrath

▼ Hard at work, working to make the picture perfect, Jen Cadet and Charissa Coffey lay out tape for the positioning of seniors. photo by McGrath



► Squinting and baking in the bright June sun, Erin Trainor, Jen Gardner, Amy Madden, and Kevin Irving wait patiently. Students shifted in their seats periodically to help prevent sticking to the bleachers. photo by McGrath

▼ Picture perfect! Positioning was just one of the many jobs Nancy Lyons had to handle for the photo. photo by McGrath



Students bake under early morning sun

Say Cheese!

The sun was far below it's noon position as they walked from the building with their class of '94 T-Shirts gleaming white in the sun. They were missing class time, the day was beautiful and their worries were far off. For as Efie Kadaris said, "It was really hot, but the heat was more bearable than sitting in class."

The photo was taken earlier in the day than those taken in years past. One of the reasons for this break in tradition was that it was easier to control the students in the morning. Senior Paul Blaney said, "If the picture had been taken after school, no one would have showed." (ya think?)

Another reason for taking the

picture earlier was that some students were going on field trips. Even with careful planning some students, like Ben Siegal, who was at Boys State were not able to be in the picture. Those who missed the picture were not happy. "Next time wait for everyone," demanded Ben Sigel.

The seniors-to-be arrived at the bleachers, the sun blinding them as they climbed the stairs. Matt O'Gara declared "I hope I was not squinting because of the sun. It would make for an awful picture."

They sat down and the photographer made them move. He moved them again. By this time most were extremely hot. As Carolyn

Herzog said "It was so hot, my seat burnt on the bleachers, and my shirt was soaked with sweat." They smiled, and click, it was over. A picture to last for a lifetime, and another memory of fun to carry to graduation day. Mike Moran and John Gilbert





▲ Senior cheer! The class of '94 walks happily towards the bleachers. Seniors looked forward to having their picture taken all year. photo by McGrath



▲ Descending the stairs with a look of satisfaction, Tara McCarthy and Jill Spera head back to the building to resume their classes. Photo by McGrath



▲ Almost there. The class of '94 picture would be perfect if the overly excited seniors would just sit! Photo by McGrath



Reilly, Jennifer.
 Rocci, Cristina.
 Rooney, Neil.
 Rozenas, Lisa.
 Orchestra 1,2,3,4, Life Skills Volunteer 4.
 Rubino, Michael.
 Soccer 1,2,3,4, Yearbook 3.



Ruffini, Rachael.
 Rush, Cynthia.
 Chorus 1,2,3,4, Dance Squad 3,4(Captain), Prom Committee 3,4,
 Saddle 1,2, Science Fair 1,2.
 Ryder, Tiffany.
 Cheerleading 1,2,3,4(Captain), Homeroom Rep 1,2, Junior
 Achievement 4(V.P.), Prom Committee 3,4.
 Sandison, Cheryl.
 Cross Country 1,2, Indoor Track 2,3, Junior Achievement 4, National
 Honor Society 4, Prom Committee 4, Science Fair 1, Spring Track 3,4,
 Key Club 4.
 Scartissi, Darren.
 Golf 1,2,3,4(Captain), Yearbook 4.



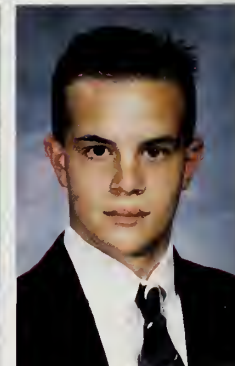
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 Sentas, Collette.
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 Project Prove Aide 4, Prom Committee 3,4, Saddle 2, Stone Soup 2, Key
 Club 1,2.
 Short, Erin.
 Basketball 1,2, Cross Country 1,2,3,4(Captain), Indoor Track 4, Prom
 Committee 3,4, Spring Track 1,2,3,4(Captain), Yearbook 3, Key Club
 3,4.



Shuwairi, Sarah.
 Class Officer 1, Field Hockey 3, French Honor Society 3,4, Homeroom
 Rep 3, Junior Achievement 4, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom
 Committee 3,4, Science Fair 2,3, Student Government 1, Stone Soup
 2,3,4, Tennis 1,2, Volleyball 1.
 Sigel, Benjamin.
 Band 1,2,3,4, Project Prove Aide 3,4, Class Officer 3(Exec. V.P.),
 4(Secretary), Cross Country 1,2,3,4, Jazz Band 3,4, National Honor Society 3,4,
 Orchestra 4, Prom Committee 3,4, Peer Counseling 3,4, Saddle 3,4, Spanish Honor
 Society 3,4(Secretary), Spring Track 1,2,3,4, Musical Theatre Guild 2, Wrestling
 2,3,4, Key Club 2,3(V.P.), 4(President).
 Smith, Terence.
 Project Prove 1,2,3,4, Spring Track 3,4, Special Olympics 1,2,3,4.
 Sperdelozzi, Stephen.
 Golf 4.
 Stevens, Jennifer.
 Amnesty International 3, French Honor Society 2,3,4, Math Team
 2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Stone Soup 2,3, Key Club 3,4.



Storms, Mark.
 Band 1,2,3,4, Indoor Track 3, Orchestra 1,2,3,4, Science Fair 1,2,
 Soccer 1,2, Wrestling 1,2.
 Tanner, Julie.
 Chorus 1,2,3,4, Amnesty Internaional 3, Key Club 2, Powder Puff
 Football 2, Gymnastics 3.
 Tartaglione, Brian.
 Tesoro, James.
 Testa, Regina.
 France/Italy Trip 2, Prom Committee 3,4, Volleyball 1,2,3,4(Captain).



Got your license? Then fasten your seatbelts and... Gentlemen, Start Your Engines

As the age of 16 roared into view, so did a great American tradition- driving a car. Several students drove to school and had lots of different experiences.

Being able to drive was a major step in a teenager's life, some worked hard to pay the high price to attend driver's education. Restaurants, supermarkets, and gas stations were a few mini-jobs that were found. Some were summer jobs and some were all year-round.

After a teenager received his permit, his goal was to pass the road test for the license. Some teens were very excited, and

couldn't wait to take the test. On the other hand, many teens were nervous, and dreaded the day they went for their license. Some students had to take the test twice, others passed on the first try. "I passed it with ease, the guy talked to me more than watching me drive. He was really cool about it," stated Greg Clark. Once they received their license, many teens used their parent's car. Other teens bought their own car, and paid their own insurance. "I own a Grand Prix with a hypo engine, and I paid for it myself," said Brian Coffey.

While it's true that just about every student who drove enjoyed it,

there were a few drawbacks. Derek Melanson, a senior, mentioned "it's the other drivers that cause the most aggravation." It's almost a given that no student would go for very long driving a car without being called a @*#\$? or a !?*\$%!# or have certain gestures made towards them by fellow motorists.

Armed with their licences students took to the road. Although the thrill of getting their licences may have been scary, it paid off when students needed to go somewhere. *Bonnie Jordan, Michael Cusack, Justin McLaughlin*



▲ Tim Williams makes his way through the parking lot after school as Jen Wood and Katie Riley pass by on the way home. Car pooling amongst friends was not uncommon for students going to and from school. photo by C. Higgins



▲▲ Senior George Jackson leaves early during his last period free. Having access to their cars was beneficial to busy juniors and seniors. photo by C. Higgins



▲ Fighting his seat belt, Mike Moran begins an invigorating day. Because of safety campaigns, more people used seatbelts in the 90's. photo by C. Higgins



I'm Out, I'm Out . . . Now What?

Look Out World, Here We Come

Thinking of one's future was maybe a bit scary but one had to start somewhere. What one did in high school would possibly reflect what one made of oneself. High school students had to get their heads out of the clouds and start thinking realistically about what they would made of oneself in the future.

So now what, fame or shame? Senior Rich Lyons had chose to aim for fame. "I was always dreaming of becoming a police officer. People who have inspired me are a few of my friends' fathers. They were police officers and I liked the excitement in the job."

One had to decide on the college question. If one chose to go to college one had to chose a major. Senior Michelle Lauria wanted to major

in pre-law. "I would like to attend Georgetown University because it's in D.C. and it has a good pre-law school." If one chose to go to college one didn't necessarily have to choose a major but had to have an idea of what one would like to become. Junior Melissa Sweeney hadn't even considered a major but had an idea of what she'd liked to do. "I would like to have something to do with the field of science, what I don't know yet."

One didn't have to choose a college just for good academics. One could decide to attend a college for the sports or maybe because one could get a scholarship. Senior Hale Hack hoped to attend Boston University. "If I had my choice of college I would attend Boston University because the cross-country team has a

good reputation."

Someday would one choose to have a family? Junior Melissa Sweeney plans to have a family. "I want to have a large family and a dog." Not everyone feels the same way. Senior Hale Hack would prefer not to have a family. "I don't want a family because I hate kids." Not all people chose to have families.

Everybody's opinions differed about what they were going to make of themselves in the future. So if they had not started thinking about the future, they started now. *Shelly Lyons, Krista Sweeney, Jennifer Bell*



▲ It's about that time to buckle down and study hard, not only for senior Rich Lyons but also for junior Nicole Toma. photo by McGrath.

▲ Many students study hard to prepare for future careers. Christine Wood hit the books in order to get into a good college. photo by McGrath



▲ This birthday boy enjoys making his own pizza. Brian Harrison celebrated his birthday at Papa Ginos. photo by family member





Thiboutot, Scott.

Golf 2, Spring Track 3, Tennis 2.

Thompson, Maria.

Cheerleading 1,2,3,4(Captain), National Honor Society 3,4, Dance Squad 1, Prom Committee 4, Science Fair 1,2.

Tocci, Kenneth.

Toy, Tabatha.

Trainor, Erin.

Basketball 1,2, Math Team 1,2, Prom Committee 4, National Honor Society 3,4, Softball 1,2,3,4.



Trinh, Vinh Quang.

Gymnastics 3,4, Tennis 2,3,4, Cultural Exchange 2,3,4.

Troup, Stephen.

A.V. Aide 3,4, Baseball 1,2,4, Golf 1,2,3,4, Hockey 1,2,3,4, Junior Achievement 4, Math Team 1, Prom Committee 3, Tennis 3, Science Fair 1,2.

Tse, Ka Wing.

Tung, Pow Kyi.

Tung, Yaik Lone.



Umbro, Adam.

Hockey 1,2,3,4(Captain), Stone Soup 3,4.

Vautour, Timothy.

A.V. Aide 3, Baseball 3, Wrestling 3.

Viau, Melanie.

Vitale, Jennifer.

Peer Counseling 2,3,4, Yearbook After School 2, Yearbook 3, Guidance Aide 2.

Vitti, Jennifer.

Homeroom Rep 1,2,3,4, Prom Committee 3,4.



Volpe, Valeria.

Math Team 1, Softball 1,2,3,4, Soccer 1.

Wadsworth, Bridget.

Walker, Raymond.

Walsh, William.

Exchange Host Family 1,3, Golf 2,4, Hockey 3, Indoor Track 4, Math Team 4, National Honor Society 3,4, Prom Committee 3,4, Sadd 1,2,3,4, School Committee Rep 3, Science Fair 1,2,3,4, Spring Track 3,4, Student Government 3, Tennis 1, Musical Theatre Guild 3,4, Wrestling 1,2.

Welch, Christopher.

Football 4.



Wessman, William.

Baseball 1,2,3,4, Basketball 1,2, Class Officer 1(Treasurer), Golf 2,3,4, Indoor Track 3,4, Science Fair 1,2, Soccer 1.

Wilkins, Shakura.

Williams, Timothy.

Baseball 1,2,3,4, Football 1.

Wiltshire, Arlene.

Wood, Christine.

Basketball 1, Softball 1,2, Soccer 1,2, Yearbook 3.



Wright, Christina.
 Wright, Thomas.
 Young, Daniel.
 Gymnastics 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Science Fair 1,2.
 Zahn, Jeremy.
 Cruzatti, Jessica.

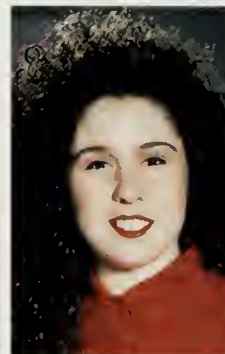


Cusack, Michael.
 Yearbook 4.
 Fichtner, Kristen.
 Project Prove Aide 2,3,4, Brain Injured Center Aide 4.



Freestone, Heather.
 Irving, Michael.
 Band 1,2,3,4, Baseball 1,2,3,4, Basketball 1,2, Indoor Track 3,4, Junior Achievement 4, Math Team 1,2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4(president), Orchestra 4, Prom Committee 3,4, Fitness Trainer 3,4, Key Club 3,4.
 Madden, Amy.
 Chorus 1,2, Sadd 1, Science Fair 1, Soccer 1,2,4.

Natale, Jerry.
 Football 2,3, Wrestling 4.
 Nowosilski, Jessica.
 Volleyball 1, Cheeleading 1,2, Ski Club 2,3,4, Swimming 2,3, Science Fair 1, National Honor Society 3, Youth Peace Corp 3,4.
 Rogers, Susan
 Rose, Jushea.
 Field Hockey 1,2,3,4(Captain), Chorus 2, Exchange Host Family 4, Spain Trip 4.
 Spera, Jill.



Varrasso, Brenda.
 Cross Country 1,2,3,4, Indoor Track 1,3, Prom Committee 3, Science Fair 1, Spring Track 1,3, Stone Soup 2,3,4, Key Club 2,3,4.
 Wood, Christopher.
 Wood, Jennifer.
 Homeroom Rep 1,2,3,4, Junior Achievement 4(V.P.) Prom Committee 3,4, Tennis 1,2,3,4, Yearbook 4, Homecoming Committee 1,2,3,4.



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 Clougherty, Meghan
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 Coppmeny, Sean
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 Miville, Monique
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 Randolph, Heather
 Seibert, Paul
 Smith, Karla
 Suhovich, Andy
 Tse, Pui Yee
 Varrasso, James
 Verma, Samir
 Worth, Jennifer
 Yee, Henry
 Zahn, Justin



Attention Underclassmen:

A Word to the Wise

Hear me now, believe me later. Seniors gave the following tips to naive underclassmen. Were these answers truly a reflection of our esteemed upperclassmen?

On college preparations, Jennifer Stevens advised to, "Do lots of visits and read all about the schools you will be interested in ahead of time." Brenda Varrasso replied, "Get all of your tests done, like SATs and PSATs, ASAP."

On health, Andy Nicklas gave the sound advice to, "Brush twice a day.", while Chris Higgins stated, "Eat three square meals per day." Kristen Draper also

remarked, "Don't dye your hair more than once per season and invest in No-Doz."

Concerning the new discipline policies, Erin Short retorted, "Don't mess with Mr. Wassel and his rules. It will be better for everyone in the long run."

Underclassmen were told, "Don't sit at senior tables." by Bill Wessman. Although most underclassmen were regarded as foreign life beings, Mike Cuddy remarked, "Soon you'll be an upperclassman and kids won't call you 'freshman geek' anymore."

Abby Christopher advised, "You can have a great time and party,

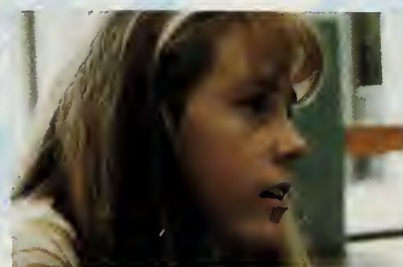
but school work has to come first. Definitely get involved in activities - you meet people and have incredible and irreplaceable experiences. Oh yeah, don't mess with upperclassmen!"

Some advice defies categorization. Brandon Candura stated, "Start studying various forms of foreign art. The cultural awareness will pay off. Also, baseball cards increase in value more than stocks, bonds, and even commemorative plates, so buy now!"

A final bit of advice from Jea Na Beack, "Be happy. Enjoy life." Julie Higgins, Keri Sherlock



▲ Out on the field, senior Jon Froio gives freshman Mike Williams a few pointers on how to throw the ball. Experienced seniors were some of the first people underclassmen looked to for athletic advice. photo by B. Kane



▲ Fiddling frantically with his lock is freshman Richard Yazbeck. Underclassmen's problems during the first weeks of school required advice from seniors. photo by McGrath

▲▲ Senior Jill O'Connell offers solutions to an underclassman. Freshmen often recieved advice from experienced upperclassmen. photo by R.Preus



Abell, Joshua.
 Abouzeid, Margo.
 Achille, Christopher
 Achille, Noelle.
 Achorn, Shawn
 Adams, Vicki.
 Ahern, Kristen.
 Aitken, Kimberly.

Akoury, Jennifer
 Alhrecht, David.
 Alexander, Jaclyn
 Alongi, Erika
 Alvarado, Paul
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 Anderson, Brian
 Anderson, Linnea

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 Andrade, Bryan
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 Arnold, Alison

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 Bache, David
 Baily, Ryan
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 Banker, Christian.
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 Barrett, Colleen.
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Beack, Jea Hyun.
 Beals, Richard.
 Beauvais, Jason.
 Bell, Jennifer.
 Bellino, Joseph.
 Belyea, Lynne.
 Benoit, Amanda.
 Berg, Brian.

Bernier, Jason.
 Bessant, Holli.
 Bestick, Melissa.
 Bjorkman, Daniel.
 Blake, Kerri.
 Blaney, Sharon.
 Blinn, Joshua.
 Blinn, Rebecca.



Siblings, Matt and Carol O'Gara listen intently to guest speaker. The two were one of many pairs of siblings. photo by C.Googins

"I guess in most cases the older children aren't really to get along with their younger siblings but my brother and I get along fine," said Elizabeth Mawn pictured below with younger brother Larry. photo by Mawn



Sibling Rivalry

Are you the baby in your family, used to getting attention, or are you the oldest, getting only grief? Students felt birth order revealed certain traits about kids. Here's the low-down on what made each birth order special. Parents were tougher and expected more from their first borns. According to Freshman Michelle Goggins, "Being the oldest is a disadvantage, because you have to

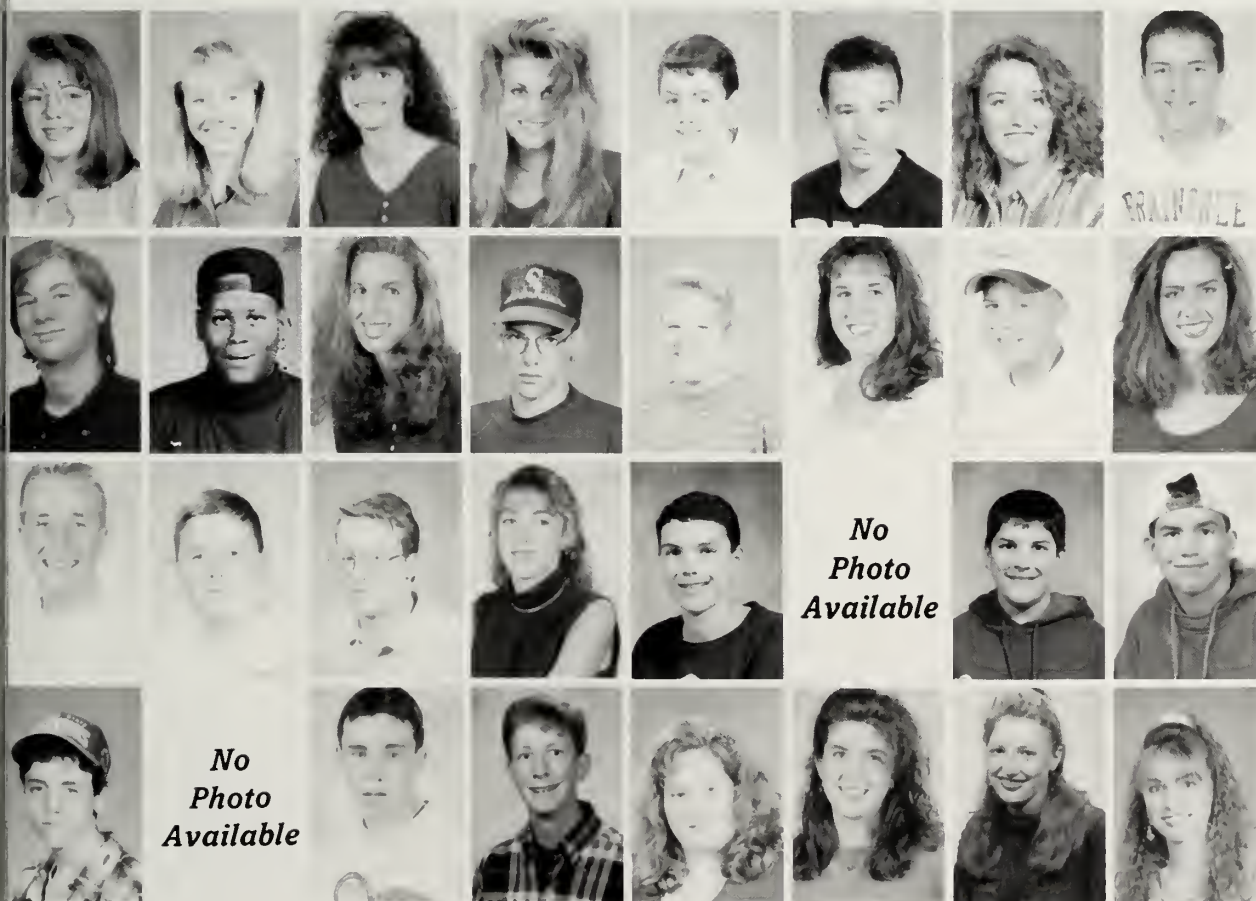
go through everything first. People expect you to live up to certain expectations." "You're the first to go to a new school or to have a boy friend," Melissa Ruozzi explained.

Middle children tended to be better adjusted than first borns. They were used to compromising and negotiating with their siblings. "My sister was the icebreaker, so now everything is a little easier for me," remarked sophomore Liana Lucchesi.

The younger children usually had it a lot easier, according to older siblings. The main advantage to arriving last was that parents had eased up on the rules and regulations. Junior P.J. Kippenhan states, "My parents are more lenient with me, because my brother and sister have paved the way." According to middle child, sophomore Kate McDonough, "It's the worst. Everyone loves the first and the last, and the middle gets overlooked."

While birth order could account for some characteristics, these traits were altered by life experiences. Junior Lindsey McHugh said "My personality reflects my upbringing more than my birth order." *Melissa Pope*

▼ Lauren and Sara Hanscom though two years apart, are still good friends and supportive of one another at home and at school.. Photo by R. Connely



Boehmer, Mandy.
Bogutt, Andrea.
Bonaglia, Sheri.
Bonfiglioli, Veronica.
Bourgeois, Allen.
Brennan, Richard.
Bridge, Michelle.
Bronner, Alexander.

Brooks, John.
Brooks, Justin.
Brown, Denise.
Brown, Sean.
Bruce, Jennifer.
Brundige, Kathleen.
Buker, Paul.
Burke, Aimee.

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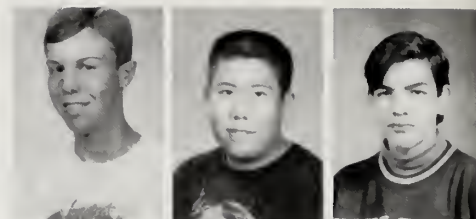
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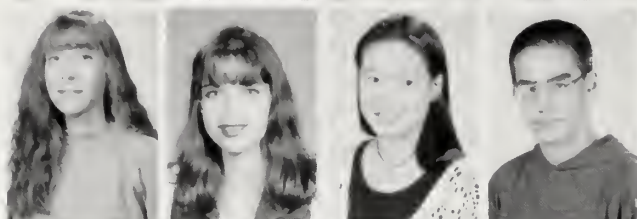
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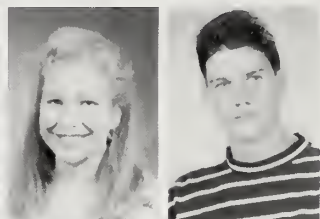
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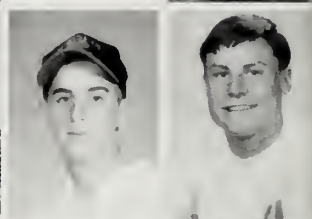
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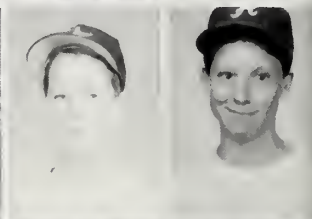


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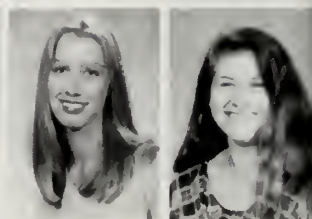
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Curry, Jared
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Being welcomed by his new friends, Terry Flynn, a transfer from Tabor, hangs out with Melissa Quinn, Rich Lyons, John O'Keefe, and Christine Wood, all seniors. Students at Braintree High did their best to make new students feel welcome. photo by J. Davis

Walking to class, Jen Early, a senior, reflects on her years as a freshman transfer student. Former transfer students found their memories of transferring amusing. photo by J. Davis



Different Places, New Faces

Changing schools is difficult; changing high schools is even harder. Transfer students found groups of friends already established. Katie Durfee, junior, explained, "I transferred to this high school because my family moved. The teachers and the kids made a point of talking to me and asking me how I liked the school. Everything is so different here from my

old school, Mount St. Joseph's Academy, which is an all girls school of 300 students. Everyone knew everyone."

This school's layout was a challenge to new students. Uchechi Kalu, sophomore, said, "It was especially hard adapting to this new school because it is so much different from most of the other schools I've been to." Her twin sister, Chinyara Kalu, nodded adding, "I'm still not adapted."

One of the ways new students got to know their peers was by getting involved in activities. Sarah Shuwairi, senior, remarked, "When I first transferred to Braintree High School as a sophomore, I was very shy. Eventually I got involved with activities and sports. I met a great deal of nice kids and I have adjusted pretty well."

Transfer students eventually adjusted to the quirks of the school, and it proved to be a welcoming environment to everyone. Keri Sherlock, Julie Higgins



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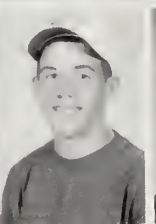


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Express Yourself

To many students writing was a chore attempted only if absolutely necessary, but to some kids, it proved a rewarding experience. Some students like Tracy Hull and Michelle Rubino enjoyed writing poetry and short stories. "I like to write short stories and mysteries mostly. I made a booklet of all the stories and poems I have written," reflected Freshman Michelle Rubino.

A few students formed a club, The Braintree Forum Writers, to gain greater exposure for their creativity. "Writing is something that I want to do in my free time. The Forum club has allowed me to enter into a group that shared my interests," said senior Erin Hanks.

Much time and effort was put into their stories. Junior Tara Fallon, who mostly wrote about Key Club, explained, "It takes me about forty minutes to write an article, and I usually write one every other week." Other members of the Forum club took the time to write every week. Senior Hale Hack, whose main focus was musical events, stated, "I write every week."

Students learned to accept the demands the Forum made. One of these demands was a deadline. However, the Forum was not all demands and deadlines. Senior Chris Higgins stated, "The Forum goes out of its way to cater to the students of our club."

Because of the number of students involved in the Forum club, some articles had to be trimmed to make room for other articles. Junior Brian Harrison reflected, "Some of my articles were edited. But, this happened to all of us from time to time."

Students who found writing a chore may have thought the Forum writers to be crazy. Yet, the satisfaction of having a story published for all to see was reward enough. *Jocelyn Stapleton, Erin Hanks, Jen Early*



! Braintree Forum Writers. Front Row: Stephanie Harris, Laurie Nelson, Tereses Walsh, Mike Moran (coordinator), Erin Hanks, Bill Walsh Back Row: Jeff Pearlstein, Greg Dunn, Brian Harrison, Abhy Christopher, Tara Fallon, Hale Hack, Chris Higgins (not shown) photo by McGrath

! Freshman Michelle Rubino, concentrates hard on her poem. Many students enjoyed writing in their spare time. photo by J. Carroll





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The Telephone: A Teen Necessity

The phone rings. A teenager dives for it. Someone else picks it up first, but why bother, everyone knows who it was for... the afterschool phone marathon has begun.

"I'm usually on the phone for a couple of hours every night," said sophomore Paul Alvarado.

Many parents thought that the telephone interfered with homework. "My mom doesn't let me call my friends until all of my homework is done," said Alicia Gray. Most parents imposed time limits on their teenagers' phone use. "I have to be off the phone at 9pm on weeknights and 10pm on weekends," said freshman Mike Ostman.

Students who didn't want to spend time talking on the phone made up excuses. "I usually tell people that I have to finish my homework or that my mom has to use the phone," said junior Elvis Tam.

Some excuses were so commonly used, that people could tell that they were being blown off. "After calling my friend

and talking for a few minutes, she told me that she had to get ready for work. It was only 12:30pm and she'd already mentioned that she didn't work until four. I didn't call her back again for a week!" recalled sophomore Michelle Mason. Although parents got upset, chatting with friends was a teen necessity. *Meghan McSheffrey, Elaina Parlee*

Senior Mike Moran talks to a friend during school hours. Students could always find time to use the phone. photo by B. Kane

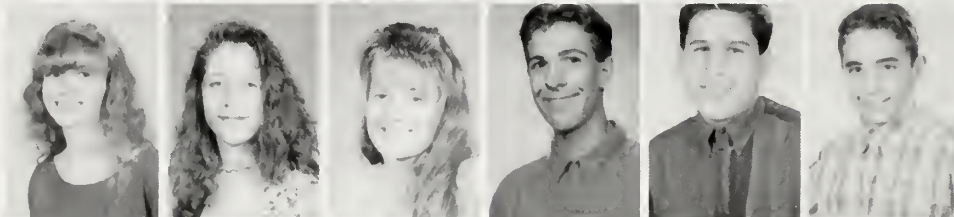
Sophomore Nitsa Drake talks to a friend on a phone in her room. Many students were happy to have the luxury of their own phone. photo by E. Parlee



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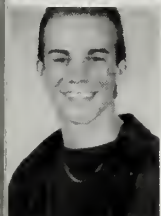
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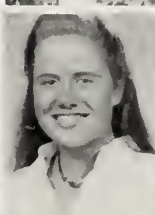
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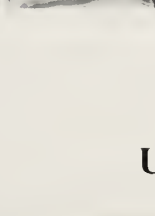
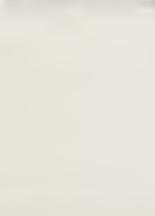
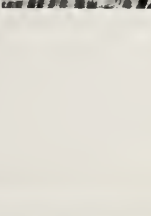
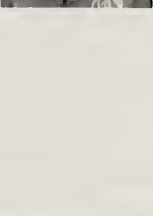
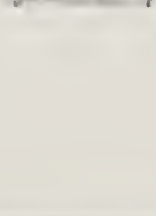
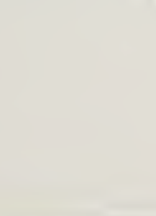
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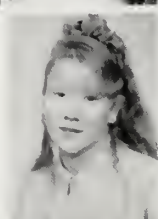
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Early Birds

To the majority of high school students, rolling out of bed between 5:30 and 6:30 was painful enough. But some hearty individuals arose even earlier. For most, waking up early seemed like an impossible task, but for some students, it was an everyday occurrence. While most students were just waking up, others were already at school. Some students chose to come early, while others had no option.

One early bird, senior Dawn Picewick stated, "I come to school early because I leave with my mother when she goes to work." On

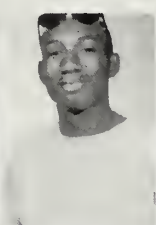
— Junior Caly Kim sips a cup of coffee before going to homeroom. Early birds were often still tired, and needed something to wake them up. photo by J. Davis

— Juniors Robin Graycar and Brian Harrison sit together during homeroom. Arriving early gave students a chance to talk. photo by J. Davis

the other hand, senior Ryan Preus came early of his own free will, "I come to school early so that I can relax and get my homework done."

Once students arrived at school, they had limited options, such as going to the cafe for breakfast or to homeroom to talk with friends and do homework. "I get dropped off at school early. I spend my time in homeroom talking with Mr. Parsons and my friends," explained junior Robin Graycar. Freshman Scott Newman related, "I go to school early to do my homework. I go directly to homeroom and get busy. I prefer to get it done before everyone else arrives."

Although waking up extra early was not much fun, students did enjoy having time to spare before school. It enabled them to get their work done and to relax before starting a grueling day of classes. Jon McSheffrey, John Campbell, Ed Gardner



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Keep on Smiling

Grab a chair, sit right down, make yourself comfortable, and let the orthodontist pull your smile together.

Students by the dozen were held prisoner by their mouths for two to five years. Unfortunately, many kids at one time or another, were doomed to get braces. Some didn't mind, but most did. Keith Jennings, a freshman, described when he first put his braces on. Since there wear many procedures in getting braces on, as soon as students got used to one phase, a new set of discomforts were delivered.

Funny experiences ranged from getting food caught in one's teeth, to throwing the retainer away in the trash during lunch. One day during lunch this year, junior Abbee Cotton accidentally threw her retainer away

with her lunch trash. Too embarrassed to look through the trash, Lucky for her Mr. Parsons offered to find them. He did and was Abbee ever relived. When students braces were fitted, students often felt embarrassed and awkward

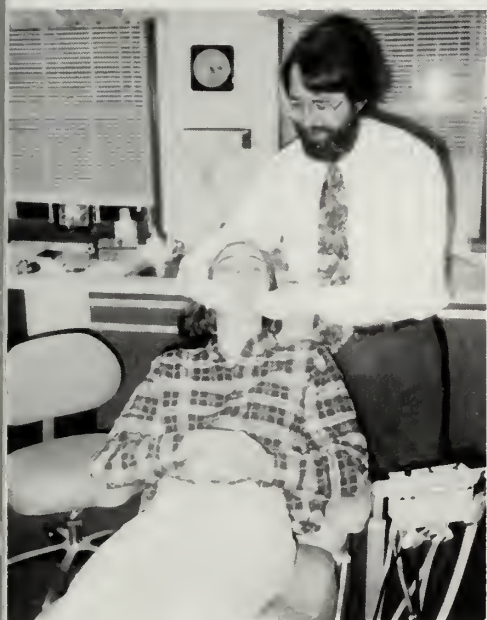
"I felt like a nerd," complained Lori Shaheen. While braces proved costly, retainers could

Freshman Thersa Walsh wore braces for four years. When she got them off, she was hit in the teeth with a soccer ball, and it loosened all her teeth. "I had to wear a couple of retainers until my teeth tighten up again."

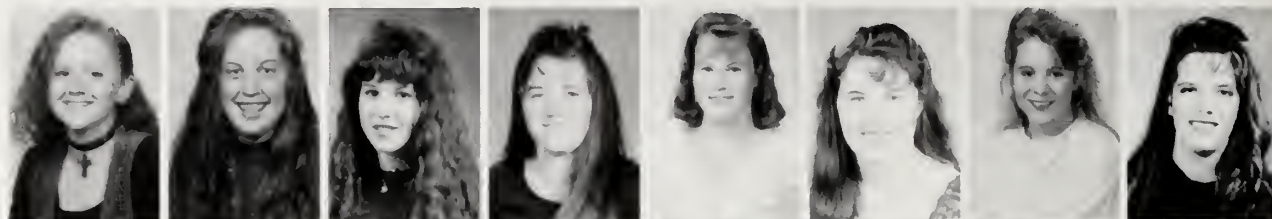
When it came time to take the braces off there were many smiles. People were relieved that they got a chance to smile with out the burden of braces. Most students looked back and were glad that they gotten their braces. Guard those retainers with your life; so that the next time Ms. Spenser announces, "Would the owner of the lost retainer please pick it up in the office." it won't be yours. *Justin McLaughlin and Chris Jamele*

➤ After a sports injury to her newly straightened teeth, freshman Theresa Walsh gets fitted for a retainer by her orthodontist, Dr. Allen Lorenz. photo by C. Higgins

➤ Sophomores Karen Avitable and Tara Vautour strike confidence, because they don't think about there braces anymore. photo by McGrath.



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A Shooting Star

July 27 was a tragic day for the community of Braintree. Reggie Lewis, the captain of the Boston Celtics, passed away leaving a void that would never be filled. Reggie Lewis' death came as a horrible shock to students. "When I heard Reggie had died, I couldn't believe it. It makes you step back and think just how precious life is," stated junior Colin Burns. "He was a great leader and will be missed not just for his basketball skills but also for his community services," replied junior Chris Psaros.

Reggie Lewis was not just a great basketball player, he was also a great man. He participated in numerous community activities, including his annual Reggie Lewis Turkey Give Away. As senior Mike Cusack related, "My favorite image of Reggie was seeing him hand out turkeys to the poor on Thanksgiving. That's the kind of thing that made him special." He was also a devoted family man, as junior Steve Kenny pointed out, "When I heard he had died, all I could remember was him and his son playing together the week before his passing."

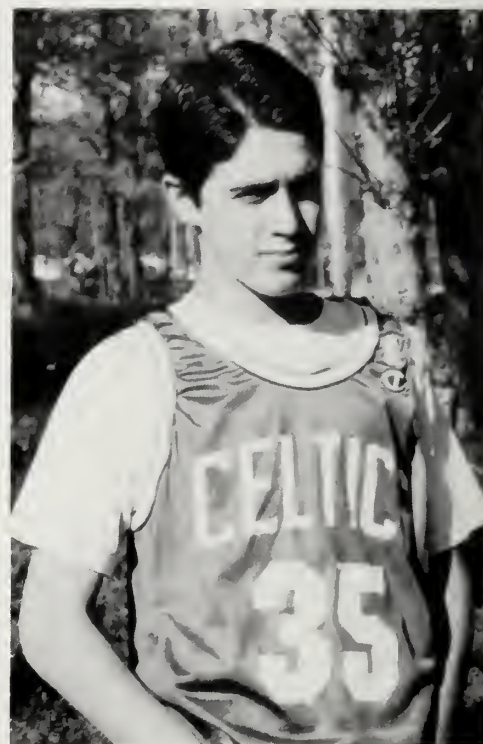
In a time when most athletes were obsessed with money and fame, Reggie Lewis was a shining star in a dark sky. While some athletes such as Charles Barkley were not

willing to be role models, Reggie accepted his role model status and lived up to high standards. He was not building up large gambling debts or contracting A.I.D.S. like other athletes, he was the perfect role model for everyone. He left a positive mark on the youth of Boston and was a good influence on everyone he met. "I admired him because he was a small town kid who had aspirations and dreams and he fulfilled them. That's what I want to do. I can follow his example," said sophomore Zev Young.

Although the death of Reggie Lewis hurt the Celtics immensely, it affected the community of Boston even more. His death was a great loss for everyone. In a time when almost all other athletes were the center of scandals, Reggie was the example of the model citizen. Reggie may be gone, but his legend will never be forgotten. *by Ed Gardner, John Campbell, and Jon McSheffrey*

► **Sophomore Zev Young proudly wears his Reggie Lewis shirt. Many students wore the shirt in memory of the late captain.** photo by J. Carroll

► **Senior Joe Cunningham gets ready to play some basketball. Many students enjoyed playing the game which Reggie Lewis loved so much.** photo by C. Higgins





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When I Was in School...

▼ Teresa Adams former BHS grad, and her daughter, Vicki, discuss changes in the school over the years. photo by B. King.

Students daydreamed of leaving their teachers behind, only to return later to find the same faces for parent conferences. Parents who attended the school compared notes with their kids. Rodney Belyea a 1966 graduate stated " So much more is available, computer courses and more choices of languages. You are able to go to a foreighn country and foreign students are able to come here." His daughter Lynne commented " I hope to have a forign student at my house, and then go to a foreign country.

Both students and their parents thought that violence was on an all-time high Not only is there more violence today but drugs are a bigger problem in schools today than they used to be. "It's unfortunate that a few students find it nececery to act out violently or under the

influence of using drugs." commented Elaine Grow. " But if you really think about it the pluses out weigh the minuses," stated freshman Jordan Grow. *Jennifer Bell and Beth King*

▼ Current and former students get together for a quick family photo. Mikalah and Richard Carlson have one thing in common besides being family, they both have attended Braintree High. photo by B. King



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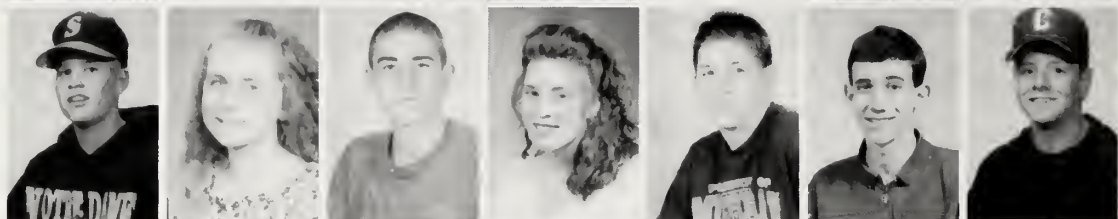


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Senior, Sarah Shuwairi cuddles with her cat Bootsie. photo by family member



Kids and Their Pets

Pets can be a pain, but they're fun to have around. Michelle Wagner, freshman, explained, "My dog fell asleep one night on my stepfather's bed and wet the bed." "I love to cuddle my dog," Caly Kim said. The dog is the pet that everyone welcomes into his home. "When I get home from school and walk in the door, my dog jumps up and down excitedly. He knocks me down and licks me until I yell.



Mercy!" said Steve Tocci.

Cats tended to have their own personalities. "My cat used to hide under the bed and suddenly jump out to attack my feet." stated sophomore Meghan McSheffrey. "I have five pets, a dog, two cats, and two birds. My youngest cat goes up on the roof. My other cat follows her up and gets stranded up there every time. To get him down, I have to stand on a ladder and pull," said Angela McDonald.

The dog was considered to be the friendliest pet by students. It is one of the easiest pets to train and it is always there to listen when someone has something to say. *Nancy Stack, Darren Scartissi*

← Lying on the living room sofa with her cat, senior Christine Wood naps peacefully. photo by J. Davis



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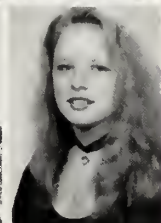


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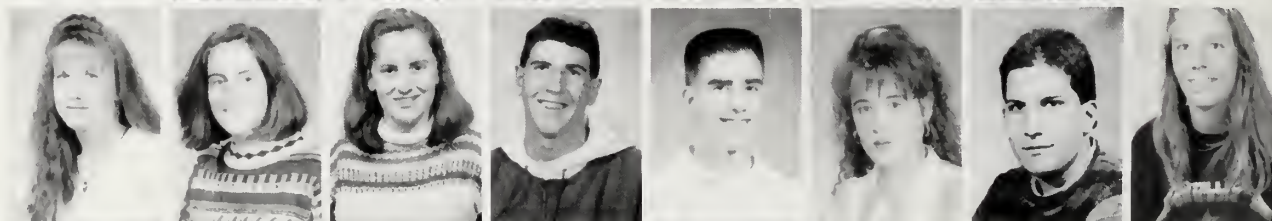
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John Canwell, Charlie Greco, and Tony Greco try to dance while at a surprise party. Class clowns were willing to go to any length for a laugh. photo by C. Golek

Clowning Around

Whoomp, there it is. Like any other school, this one had its share of class clowns. Many kids just liked to goof off and fool around. Then there were the kids who liked to have a good time, but still took school serious.

Another group of kids were considered class clowns by classmates but not by themselves. Caroline McNally, said, "I am not a class clown, I'm looking just to have some fun." Tim Williams, elected the senior class "Class Clown", said "someone in the class has to do it."

Although humiliating oneself in front of crowds of students may have seemed strange John Froio declared, "I love the attention." Brendan Burke insisted "I just don't care what people think, I'll act the way I want to act."

What has to be done to be considered a class clown? According to Tim, "you have to get

the teacher mad, and make the kids in the class laugh". Most kids don't want to sit through the same boring class for 180 days of school. Looking in the same direction Caroline McNally replies, "you have to do something that stands out and that people will remember." According to Tim he said one of the goals is to get the teacher mad, so what do the teachers think about it? Tim said "some get mad, but some like it, there are mixed emotions." The teachers and the students really have to meet a pass were the class clowns can have there fun and the teachers are still able to do there job. Impossible.

The class clown, they're difficult to live with, but more difficult to live without. The class clown is a great asset in any school because it builds a little character for the people that follow. Brendan Burke replied, "Loosen up and laugh a little it won't hurt." Steve Furness

Friends watch as Brendan Burke goofs off at lunch. Food tricks were a necessity to be a class clown.

photo by S. Furness

Tim Williams jokes around on the basketball court. Class clowns were the center of attention at many school events. photo by S. Furness



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House 1 Master



Mr. William Wassal
Headmaster



Mr. John Hopkins
House 2 Master

The Three Musketeers

When three administrators came together for the first time, there was a chance they would not work together. However, Mr. Wassel, Mrs. Spencer, and Mr. Hopkins did not have this problem. Mr. Hopkins explained, "It's always going to be different with a new administration. There are differences in style, but I feel that the three of us work well together." It was not easy to work together at first, because each had their own ideas, but they somehow came together as a team to agree.

The three made many changes in the school that were beneficial. Mr. Wassal stated, "We have meetings every Friday afternoon to discuss any problems that have occurred throughout the week. We rarely disagree. The parents have been supportive of the changes we have made, and I feel that the students understand that they are necessary."

Changes were made in school rules and the discipline of the students. The administrators became directly involved with the student body. Because of this, students viewed the disciplinary actions without resentment. *Erin Hanks and Jen Early*



▲ Mr. Hopkins patiently waits for feedback from a fellow administrator. Teachers patrolling the hallways carried walkietalkies to communicate with each other. photo by B. Kane



Dear Members of the Class of 1994,

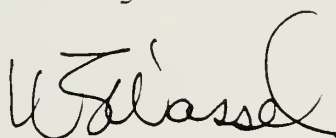
Congratulations! You have reached an important milestone in your lives with your graduation from Braintree High School.

It is the sincere wish of all of us at B.H.S. that each of you realize your dreams and aspirations. We hope that you feel that the years you spent with us have helped prepare you for the future. The education you have received is but a working tool which is now about to be put to the test. The path you take, the strengths you develop, and the service you perform to others, will be the true indicators of your total education.

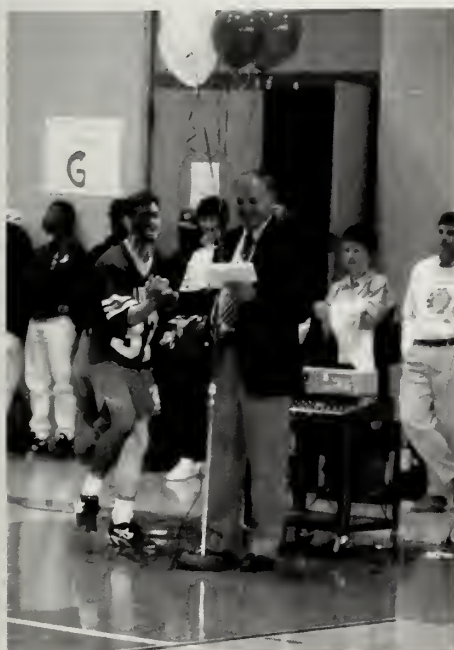
Your class will always be special to me. It was in your senior year that I arrived for my first full year as your new headmaster. Change is always difficult yet I felt welcomed by each of you right from the start. I will always be grateful for that reception and the acceptance you gave me into your school family.

May you find happiness and success in the future and bring credit to your family, our school and our community.

Sincerely Yours,



*William S. Wassel
Headmaster*



▲ Mrs. Spencer gives an opening speech at a Key Club meeting. Although administrators were bogged down with work, Mrs. Spencer had time to help a worthy cause. photo by R. Preus

◀ Mr. Wassel congratulates junior, Tony Petreyko, on winning Mr. Spirit Week 1993. The overall participation in spirit week overwhelmed Mr. Wassel. photo by McGrath



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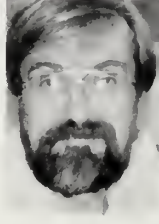
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Invasion of Territory?

School may not be one's favorite place to wake up extra early for, but at least its time to spend with friends and feel a little more independent. For most students, going to school, was a break from parents and a chance to be with friends. Well, imagine attending school with your parents? That was the case for some students. Most students wanted to keep their social lives separate from their family lives. For children of faculty members, this seemingly normal arrangement was reversed. Daughter of faculty member, Michelle Kusser, disagreed when she stated, "At first I wasn't too sure how

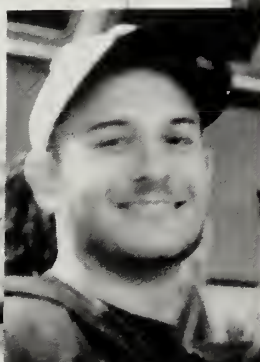
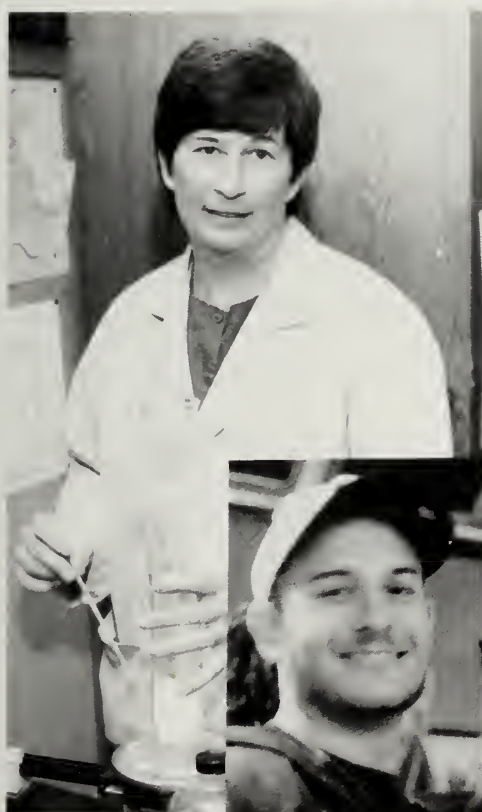
← Mark Storms and his mother Pamela Storms are an example of the family ties at BHS. There were many student and faculty member relatives. photo by R. Preus

↑ Sophomore Margie Sullivan chats with mother as they pose for a picture outside the headmaster office where her mom works. photo by B. Kane

to react to the idea of my mom working at my school, but things are working out just fine." In the beginning many students felt the same way as Michelle did, they weren't too crazy about the idea of their parents working in the same school that they attended. As it turned out having your parents working in your school, was not really as dreadful as it appeared to be. Most of the time the parents respected that their children wanted to feel independent in their own school.

Sometimes being the child of a faculty member could be tough. Son of teacher Mr. Raiss, Omar is quoted as saying, "I'm a little nervous that if my friends in my dad's class perceive him as being a hard teacher, they might take it out on me. On the other hand it can be convenient if I'm making after school plans. I don't have to call home to leave a message." *Melissa Pope, Monique Trainor, Leanne Gundel.*

↑ Jeff Pearlstien as well as his mother could be found in the halls of BHS. photos by Mc Grath



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▲ Hall Matrons Jean Beard and Rita Ellis photo by McGrath

Above and Beyond

Teacher responsibilities, assigned and voluntary reached beyond the classroom walls. Despite many obligations, teachers found time to be club or class advisor and even participate in homecoming spirit week.

The Homecoming volleyball tournament proved enjoyable to English teacher, Mr. Parsons. He exclaimed, "Our goal was to pummel the House 2 team. They felt our wrath, but unfortunately we fell short." Mr. Parson's enthusiasm was reflected by all who participated in the event.

"I just love to play," stated shop teacher Mr. Tetzlaff, "I think it's important for students to see teachers having fun."

Another faculty member involved with homecoming was Mrs. Carroll, yearbook advisor, "I attend the events my photographers and reporters are covering for stories. Later, when we need ideas, we can all brainstorm together." Mr. McDonough ran this year's multi-cultural fair, "I think it's important for students to prepare for the demands of democracy by building relationships within their community. By actively participating in the festival, I have become a role model."

In addition, many enjoyed being part of the school's events after the 2:05 bell. Going above and beyond the call of duty was another reason why many students reflected their school spirit and values. Mrs. Smith exclaimed, "I get to know my students in a special way being with them for three weeks. Last year I ran into two former students finishing their junior year in Spain who had previously been on our exchange program! I was gratified." *Hale Hack*



▼ Joking around during physics lab, seniors Dan Birolini and Bill Wessman take their final measurements. Labs were always the best part of science class. photo by C. Higgins



▲ Demonstrating the property of movement, seniors Mike Cuddy and Brandon Candura roam the room in wheel barrel style. Interesting labs and assignments helped students to understand subjects better. photo by H. Hack

► Working diligently on his history project, junior Elvis Tam takes advantage of the quiet atmosphere of the library. Many students could be found in the library doing homework. photo by McGrath



► Taking advantage of a free moment, junior Sean Hogan catches up on his homework. Balancing school work and a social life was struggle for many students. photo by McGrath



— Helping out on the computer, senior Ka Wing Tse shows senior Eric Cyphers the correct procedure. Students taking the time to help each other in difficult areas was more commonly seen.
photo by McGrath



Blueprint for Success

While many schools were dealing with budget cuts, teacher strikes, and education drawbacks, Braintree High moved forward on to bigger and better things.

Since "frees" were no longer allowed, many students could be found in the library studying, or taking advantage of math workshop. Students could also be found in the writing labs, typing English compositions or college essays.

Balancing sports, part-time jobs, and family and friends proved more difficult than before.

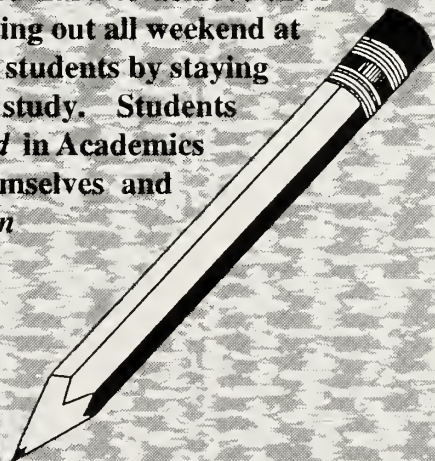
Mr. Wassel's education reforms contributed greatly to the emphasis on better education. New progress reports issued to students gave the current status of the students' marks and the areas on for which improvement was needed. Report cards now had to be signed by a parent or guardian and returned back to homeroom teachers. News bulletins were sent home more frequently to inform parents of activities occurring at the school.

Cooperative learning became more evident as students studied in groups and tutored each other in subject areas where they were experiencing difficulty. And while many of the nation's SAT scores were falling, Braintree High students had exceptionally high scores, many reaching near 1600, a perfect score.

Students studied and worked hard to achieve their future goals. Partying and hanging out all weekend at the mall was replaced for many students by staying home or going to the library to study. Students went *Back To The Drawing Board* in Academics to provide better lives for themselves and bring great success. *Coleen Flynn*



Academics



Take A Look, It's In A Book...

Remember the show "Reading Rainbow!"? As youngin's they all enjoyed watching Lavar tell them about great books to read. In school, they continued his tradition, happily, or not so happily, reading the seemingly hundreds of books assigned each year by their scheming English teachers. Let's face it, everyone had a time when they thought their teacher was trying to personally ruin their life with the fifty page a night readings.

Throughout the years, students read many different books, learning to enjoy the assignment was the key. Michelle Lang, a junior, explained, "At first, I thought the books we had to read would be boring, but most of them turned out to be pretty good." Even though most of the books assigned to students were ones they would not typically read by choice, they proved to be very interesting. Robin Graycar, a junior, expressed, "Believe it or not, I actually liked one of the books we were forced to read in English. Thoreau's Walden had such an effect on me, that I bought my own copy. The idea of living a solitary life with nature and nonconformity really appealed to me. It enhanced my confidence in being different, and I tend to think about life a little more than I used to."

A favorite of many students was To Kill A Mockingbird, because it was based in present times instead of far into the past. Many students seemed to

loathe books such as Beowulf, a bore to the majority because of its Old English setting. Michelle Darche, a senior, replied, "I liked To Kill A Mockingbird because the characters were believable and had depth." On the other hand, "Beowulf was one of the worst books I have ever read, because it did not involve me in the story," declared Carol McIntyre.

In reading the books, many students began to feel that they could relate to certain characters portrayed. Jen Martino, a senior, said "I related to Lady MacBeth just because of her attitude." If they could not find anyone to relate to then many students at least discovered a character they were interested in in some way. Going back to To Kill A Mockingbird, Theresa Walsh said, "Boo Radley is a character I think is cool because he is very mysterious."

Whether students had to read one book the whole year or ten, reading was never avoided, there was always an assignment to spend time on. English teachers always produced a book that the class would instantly complain about but would read anyway. Was to read or not to read the question? Not really. To enjoy or not to enjoy, now that was the question! *Stephanie Porter and Kaitlyn MacDonald*



↑ Studiously taking notes, Darren Scartissi, a senior, concentrates on getting the grade. In order to do well in English alot of energy was put forth in a students daily work. photo by R. Preus

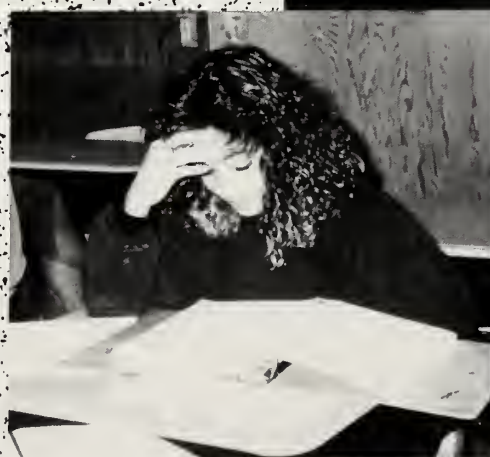
➤ Sean Connors enthusiastically finishes up his English reading assignment during his study period. The library was a common place students wandered too when their reading homework needed to be done. photo by R Preus





➤ Mr. Parsons and the students in his writing class can't help but laugh at senior Mike Cuddy's humorous comment. Even though English was a serious class, students were able to have fun once in a while. photo by B. Kane

▼ Junior Caly Kim works on assigned homework. Many teachers allowed students extra time to work on homework during class. photo by C. Higgins



▲ Monica Sheehan anxiously studies for a big English test. Unfortunately for students, tests were a very big part of English grades. photo by B. Kane

➤ Smiling slightly, Val Volpe, a senior, seems to be enjoying her class. Even though class could sometimes be tedious, English was usually a pretty entertaining class. photo by R Preus



► Sophomore Matt Fallano talks to his American history teacher, Mr. Walsh. Communication with teachers was important to understand class material. photo by McGrath

↑ As a part of her oral presentation, senior Bridget Wadsworth explains her poster. Oral presentations contributed greatly to students' grades. photo by B. Kane.



Social Studies: The Never Ending Story

Immigration to industrialization. These and other topics were attacked by those students who took a history class. World, American and European history were among the popular selections. The students who took these classes definitely had their favorites.

"I like my American history class because my teacher doesn't make it too boring. It's good when a teacher tells jokes during class, unless they're corny," said sophomore Greg Campbell.

Some teachers tried to add humor when they taught their classes. These jokes added a relaxed atmosphere to an otherwise stressful curriculum. Mr. Pierce was named as one of the more amusing teachers.

"I think European history is better than American," stated Nitsa Drake, "It's fun learning about other cultures." European history provided knowledge from early Mesopotamian civilizations to modern life in Egypt. Many students liked learning about these areas because it gave them a better understanding of the world around them and of other lifestyles. Topics like the Peace Treaty between Israel and the P.L.O. were current issues discussed in the class.

Field trips added another plus to history classes. Students felt that field trips were not only fun but helped them to better understand what they were studying. "I think field trips were the best part of the year because we get a day off from classes!"

exclaimed Krissy Peterson. Students were surprised and pleased that Social Studies trips consisted of even going to see mansions in Rhode Island.

Notebooks were a big part of the American history class. Ms. Guenther taught students how to get organized and gave specific instructions on how to do it. Students adapted quickly to this new style of note taking. Everyone who took Ms. Guenther's American history course kept a notebook. On the right side, class notes, newspaper articles, and other interesting facts from the book were kept. On the left were graphics, little pictures that symbolized topics covered in class. Stories and essays were kept on that side, too. The majority of her students thought that the notebooks were a great way to keep organized. Sophomore Eileen Cusack objected to doing the graphics. "I felt like an elementary school kid." Teachers tried different techniques to get their students interested and to help them learn. These techniques worked better for some students than others.

Whether students were in humanities or an independent class everyone got a wide view of history. Whatever class you took you were bound to learn something new. Students were surprised by how much they could learn from the past. Social Studies was one of the more favorable subjects where everyone could learn about the past, the present and even the future. *Elaina Parlee*





➤ Students worked on Social Studies projects in the library. Computer programs supplied students with information about the past. photo by C. Higgins

▼ Adam Griffiths jots down notes for his Social Studies class. Notetaking was important for remembering material. photo by C. Higgins



▲ Mr. Nolan gives a lecture to his class. Lecturing was a method teachers used to get the students involved in the class. photo by B.Kane

➤ Mr. Walsh helps a student with a difficult assignment. Students appreciated teachers who could spare time to help. photo by B.Kane



— Eric Pettiti carefully paints the mural for the science department. Many other murals in the school provided happier hallways for the students. photo by C. Higgins

† Sophomore Sara Frazier paints her sculpture, trying to keep her hair out of the paint. Colorful hair wasn't a very big fad, although some students have painted their hair odd colors in the past. photo by C. Higgins



† Arranging the pumpkin heads for a Halloween still life, Amy McLeod and Scott Core prepare before their class arrives. photo by C. Higgins

— A sculptured clay head by junior Barbara Chisholm is admired by freshman Debbie Giacomozzi. Underclassmen in mixed level studio classes benefitted from the more experienced students. photo by C. Higgins





◄ Sophomore Leslie Jessop supervises junior Lynn Conner while she paints her masterpiece. Art was a class where friends could tell each other how they felt about their work, whether they liked it or not. photo by C. Higgins

↑ In Art class Joe Foster, a sophomore, attacks his sculpture, making sure everything is in the right position. Students often made things that were very different than any ordinary picture. photo by C. Higgins



Creativity, Freedom and Expression

Creative, colorful, artistic, messy - art was a popular course. Many students took art for fun, but some were looking ahead to their futures. "I think I'd like to go into architecture or maybe interior design," said sophomore Karen Huxley. Junior Aimee Burke stated, "I'd like to do technical or computer art."

Students enjoyed art for many different personal reasons. "I like art because I'm free to express myself," said Aimee Burke. Art was a good way to relieve the stress and pressure felt from other classes during the day. Sophomore Liana Lucchesi agreed, "You get to express your own creativity and the teacher encourages you a lot."

Although art was fun and relaxing, it could be very messy! "Ink is really messy to work with and it doesn't come off your hands very easily," said freshman Shannon Keefe. Sophomore Leslie Jessop also thought ink was messy to use. "One time I had to blow ink through a straw all over white paper; instead I splattered it all over myself."

Art teachers stressed self motivation and decision making as part of the artistic process. Sophomore Joe Foster, an extremely self motivated individual worked for a year and a half on one sculpture. "My project is an enormous cube sculpture with colorful appendages sprouting out in all directions. It just kept growing. The hardest part

was when I painted the appendages, they fell off, spilling and flicking paint all over the room." Jim Alves met his match working with paper mache. "One time, I worked on a paper mache sculpture coating it with clear glue stuff. It was really sticky and messy, but it came out well." When asked what her favorite activity in art was, sophomore Jenn Jolls said "Painting is my favorite thing to do because it's colorful, you can do whatever you want and you can't really mess up that much." Jeff Johnson, a junior answered "I like to draw everything . . . because that's what I'm best at."

If you took art you probably had a favorite thing to draw or paint anywhere from a flower or a bug to a castle or a mountain. "Lighthouses are my favorite thing to draw because they are a symbol of New England," stated Karen Huxley. Other kids like junior Stephanie Porter liked to doodle 3-D objects, while sophomore Kaitlyn MacDonald liked to doodle flowers and yin-yangs all over her notebooks.

Whether art was taken for fun or future, whether you like to doodle or design graphics. Art was something everybody could enjoy.

Anne Hurlebaus



► Juniors Stacy Barter and Josh Blinn set up for a lab. Chemistry labs were one reason why students enjoyed the class. photo by C. Higgins

▼ Mr. Ciccarillo's class heads toward the sludge plant. The sludge plant field trip was one of the highlights of this year. photo by David Wright



▲ Sophomores Andrea Markowski and Leah McGinn put together a model of DNA. Teachers used different techniques to get their students interested. photo by B.Kane

► Sophomores Leigh Williams and Jodi Warloz work together on a biology project. One benefit of the class was working in pairs. photo by C. Higgins



We're Going Where?

Take another look, is that sewage? A very close look at Boston Harbor sewage was taken by Mr. Ciccariello's chemistry class on a recent field trip. Chemistry fascinated students, whether they were mixing chemicals in lab, taking notes, or exploring the chemical processes used in their community. They were having fun learning about the chemical makeup of their environment.

Mr. Ciccariello's Chemistry B class got an extra treat, they were given sludge pellets! This class went on a sludge plant tour in Quincy. "It's chemistry in action and it's in our own backyard," said Mr Ciccariello.

The plant recycles sludge into useable fertilizer pellets. "The people at the plant gave everyone a pellet to keep," said senior Tom Mochen.

The plant held a few surprises for everyone that went. "It wasn't as smelly as I thought it would be," said junior Brian Holmes. It was also cleaner than expected."

"I hope the kids who did go on this field trip learned something from going there," said Mr. Ciccariello. "Maybe they will appreciate the process more."

Chemistry could be taken by

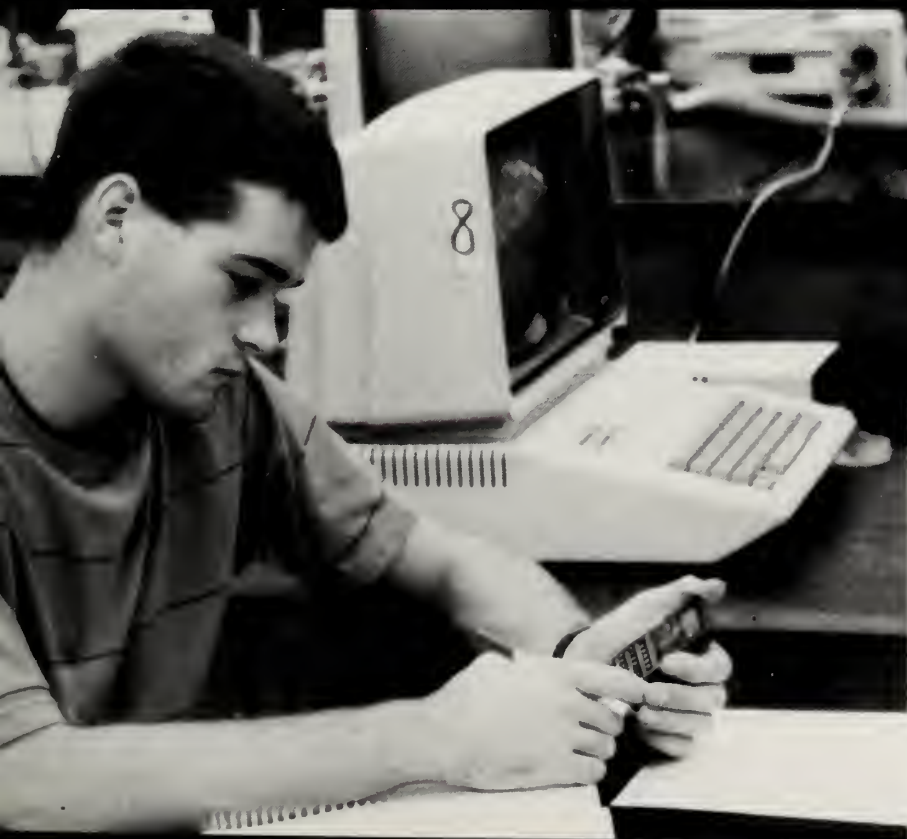
sophomores, juniors, or seniors but students were not guaranteed placement in a class with others of their own grade level. "I don't enjoy chemistry as much as I should, because I'm the only sophomore in a junior class," said Margie Sullivan.

Mr. Ciccariello's students were not the only people enjoying chemistry. Many sophomores also thought chemistry was an interesting and fun class.

A big part of Chemistry is learning ionic formulas, elements, and ionic charges. "Did you know, there are over one hundred elements in the periodic table? Now that's something to remember. Chemistry is a lot like math," said sophomore Christy Clark.

"Learning the ionic formulas took a great deal of time and effort, but in the future I hope it will pay off," said Lenore Herget.

Students who planned futures in medical or research fields felt science was a must in their schedule. *Meghan McSheffrey*



▲ Junior Chris Psaros gets acquainted with a skeleton. Knowing the parts of your body was essential in biology class. photo by B. Kane

→ Senior Mike Irving works out a physics problem. Some students were surprised at the amount of math involved. photo by B. Kane



HEY, NO SWEAT

Gym class, you "gotta" have it. Physical education enthusiasts took it to an extreme. "Gym class is my favorite subject", explained junior Jeff Johnston. "I like to play sports, because it keeps me in good physical condition."

With a wide variety of athletic activities from which to choose, students demonstrated enthusiasm; whatever the season. Junior Stacy Barter commented, "coed classes for juniors and seniors have made gym class more interesting and I enjoy the activities I do."

Gym also proved to be a time for socializing and relaxing. Junior Brett Kelly explained "I get to see my friends and have the freedom to play the sports that I want to play."

Senior Sean Coppney stated, "gym allows me to have fun during school. It is a break from the tension of a tough day". Keith Higgins agreed, pointing out, "gym gives students a full workout. It's a good break from our academic classes." According to Michelle Watts, "Gym is wicked

awesome and wicked fun, because we play lots of sports and I like that."

While most kids could not get enough of gym, a few were equally unenthusiastic. Some students disliked any physical exercise. Others felt awkward or ill at ease playing sports and preferred less strenuous activities. Junior Ed Downing exclaimed, "gym class is the worst. I hate sweating in my next classes, and besides, I hate to shower. I'd rather go to free."

Students occasionally took extraordinary measures to slip out of gym class. Maryellen Porter, who was forced to miss gym because of a sports injury joked, "gym, whose gym?" Talk about going to extraordinary measures. Some kids forgot that gym was a graduation requirement until it was too late. Gym credits had to be made up. In other words, you "gotta" have it. No exceptions. *Chris Jamele*

► Reaching for the stars, Brooke Cassanovough tries to spike the ball back to her opponents. Volleyball was a popular activity which many students loved to participate in. Photo by C. Higgins





← Freshman Kelley Grey smiles as Ms. Redman measures her height. Weight and height measurements in the fall was a harbinger to another year of phys. ed. photo by McGrath



← With a sweeping backhand, senior Jim Koopman sends the ball back to his opponent. Tennis is one of the many activities that students can choose in phys. ed. photo by C. Higgins



► Senior Kerri Diauto fixes the ponytail of a young preschooler in her preschool lab. Many of the children liked the seniors as teachers. photo by J. Carroll

▼ Senior Alexandria Height teaches a preschool class while her little preschool friend smiles pretty for the camera. photo by J. Carroll



Our own Mr. Goodwrenches

Could this be the proving ground for the next Indy 500 crew? Electives were viewed by many students as the best part of the day. Kids found automotive technology interesting as well as practical.. In this class, student's learned proper maintenance and actually worked on their own cars.

Students changed the oil and checked the tire pressure. When the students learned the basic fundamentals, they moved on to more challenging task like replacing the brake pads and rebuilding an engine. Rob Henriksen said " Todays cars are much more complicated and require more knowledge to work on them." In automotive technology, students learned how the newer cars differed from the old ones, and had the chance to work on both.

If a student wished to make a future in mechanics, he would get the chance to see if he had the desire and the skill to work on cars. Many students who took this class and enjoyed it wanted to get paid for what they liked doing. " I might make a future out of it." remarked Wayne Longabard. " There are many branches in auto mechanics. You could work on American or

foreign cars. You could be a tune up specilast or a mechanic that actually replaced parts."

The class enabled students to work on their own car. They got a chance to make their own repairs. If students did not own a car, they had the opportunity to bring their parent's or a friend's car in. Rob Henriksen stated, " I have rotated the tires and checked the rear break pads on my friend's car."

As in other classes, mistakes were bound to happen. In automotive technology, however, a mistake could be costly. Depending on the part, the costs ranged between twenty to two hundred dollars. Some kids had broken major parts, such as battery terminals, or put on the wrong shock absorber. " When I was putting on my my antifreeze cap, it fell between the grill and the radiator, and I couldn't find it." chuckled Wayne Longabard.

In automotive technology class students gained useful knowledge that would come in handy when they owned their first car. It taught proper maintenance and care that would keep the car running smoothly. Not only did the class teach students, they actually got hands on experience by working on real cars. *Justin McLaughlin*



— Senior Jon Froio inspects his tools before using them. Students often took the mechanics classes so they could learn more about cars. photo by J. Carroll

↓ Senior Keith Higgins chats with a friend during his home economics class. A lot of students were able to talk amongst themselves until the bell. photo by J. Carroll



↑ Alicia Grey patiently awaits for the oven bell to ring. A lot of students took Home Economic classes such as cooking. photo by R. Preus

— Jared Curry, a sophomore, holds a piece of wood while cutting it to the perfect size. Students often took a woodworking class if they liked to work with their hands. photo by J. Carroll



► Students found Mr. Weiner's teaching style untraditional. They had to turn around to the back of the room to ask him a question. photo by B. Kane

▼ Taking a break from the party, Juniors Matt Russell and Elvis Tam work hard to solve a quadratic equation. The quadratic party was a fun and interesting way to learn. photo by J. Carroll



▲ Ms. Raymond gives her class a break from the normal routine by playing a game. Students enjoyed doing something different in class every once in a while. photo by B. Kane

► Gathering around the table, sophomores Beth Arienti, Marissa Collins, Keri O'Brien and Christine Frazier make pyramids out of straws. Students enjoyed getting hands-on experience. photo by C. Higgins





→ Showing off their quadratic looks, juniors Elvis Tam, Allison Sampson, and Erin Stracuzzi are the center of Mrs. Skill's attention. The students enjoyed their party as a time to relax and have fun. photo by J. Carroll

↑ Listening intently, Kathryn McDonough and Melissa Ruozzi receive help from Mr. Krot. Teachers were willing to give students any extra help that they needed. photo by B. Kane



Who Says Math Isn't Fun?

For most people, going to math class each day was an unappealing task, but in a certain trigonometry class, it proved to be an adventure. In Mrs. Skill's Honors Algebra2/Trigonometry class, teaching went beyond the normal teacher lectures and into a world of interesting demonstrations.

As students continued to have difficulties in understanding the mathematical concept of quadratic equations, Mrs. Skill tried a new method of teaching them. When explaining how to manipulate and solve quadratic equations, Mrs. Skill taught her class to search for the "quadratic look." When a student asked what the "quadratic look" was, Mrs. Skill got an idea. She told her class to dress up in whatever they thought the "quadratic look" was for class the next day. As junior Elvis Tam expressed, "We got to dress up creatively as whatever we thought the quadratic look was. Some people wrote the equation on their shirt. Mrs. Skill dressed up too!" Although some students approached the problem literally writing the quadratic equation on their clothes, others just wore strange combinations of clothes for their "quadratic look." Whichever approach the students took, none of them would ever forget the quadratic equation.

Ms. Raymond also made the change from traditional to contemporary teaching methods. In her AP Calculus class, she let the students do the teaching. Each day when the class began, a student went to the chalkboard and presented one of the homework problems. If there were any problems that the students could not figure out, Ms. Raymond would then explain it. With this procedure, the students were

forced to examine the problems more carefully and learn how to work their way through tough problems. Another unique method used by Ms. Raymond was letting her students play with clay. When the students were working on finding the volume of irregular solids, Ms. Raymond brought in clay for the students. They then spent the period shaping the clay into the solids from the book. If the students got the clay figures right, they received extra credit.

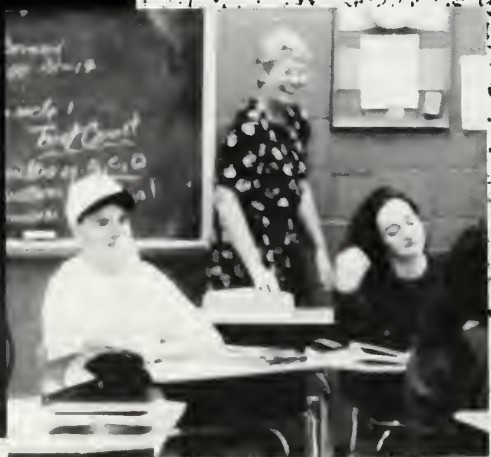
Special demonstrations and breaks from normal teaching lectures, such as this, provided an opportunity for students to get away from the monotony of book learning and have some educational fun. More and more teachers used demonstrations rather than the traditional chalkboard approach. "They allow you to get a refreshing break which makes the class more fun," stated junior John Campbell. This type of teaching made math bearable and even fun. Students took full advantage of these opportunities, enjoying themselves, but not at the expense of learning. As senior James Chang said, "A break from the normal lectures and note taking method gives the student an opportunity to exercise the imagination and better comprehend the material." The demonstrations were always educational and whether they knew it or not, the students learned.

In a subject as difficult as math, students had to concentrate fully on the material to understand it. These changes in the daily routine helped the students to have fun and learn more easily. Man has been studying math for a very long time, but never with methods like this. *Ed Gardner*



► Ms. Spear helps Sarah Ditoeco with her work. Often time, a student needed to go to a teacher for extra help. photo by McGrath

▼ Students take a test during class. Taking tests often required many hours of studying. photo by McGrath



▲ Ms. Wallace's French class enjoys a light moment during class. This class met only three times a week because it was an advanced class. photo by McGrath

► Junior Leo Hart turns to ask Kerry Gibbons a question. Many students had questions to ask because of the difficulty of the languages. photo by McGrath



It's All Greek To Me

"Hola," "Bonjour," "Vale," "ni hao ma," were some of the expressions that could be heard drifting down the halls of the B wing. Students took Spanish, French, Latin, or Chinese as a foreign language. Taking a foreign language meant studying just about every night to keep up with the new vocabulary and grammar. Although only two years of a language were needed for graduation, some students elected to further their studies in their respective languages. Senior Caren Lacey stated, "Although I had completed my foreign language requirement and had already had four years of French, I decided to continue my studies because it would look good for college. I enjoyed my years of French so much that I decided to take it again senior year."

Although many hours of studying were needed, students thought it would help them in the long run. Junior Renee Jackson proposed, "Taking Latin should help me on vocabulary, especially the S.A.T.'s, because most of the English words come from Latin."

Students decided to take languages for different reasons. When asked why he chose to take Chinese, senior Paul Kelly replied, "It was a new class, and extremely different. A lot of my friends were taking it." Senior Danielle Perry commented, "I began taking French in the seventh grade, simply because they made the G and T kids take it. However, I really liked it and am taking French VI this year even though I do not have to." Senior Sarah Shuwairi stated, "We go on field trips to French restaurants

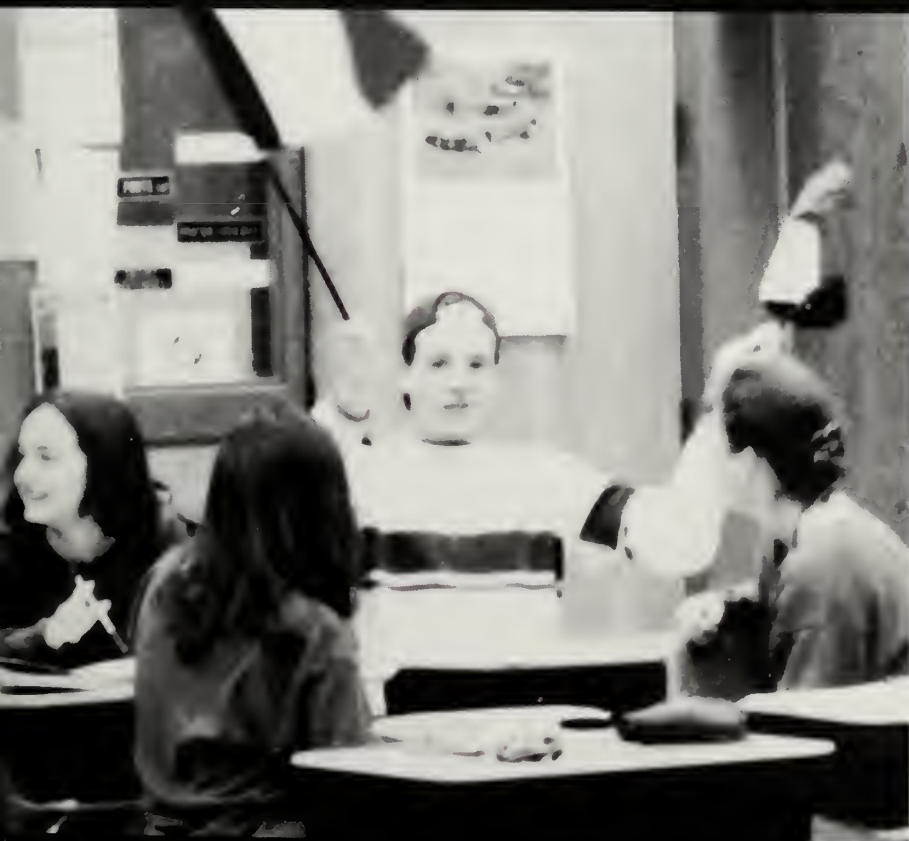
and taste exquisite French food. We also meet French students from aboard and we do oral projects such as cooking food and explaining 'en francais' the recipes."

While some students furthered their studies, others decided to drop it after fulfilling their requirement. "Once I completed my requirement after sophomore year, I had an easy decision to make. Drop it!... I'd had enough," stated senior Pat Murray. Junior Rob Hull expressed a different reason, "I could not fit it into my schedule, and besides that, it just wasn't any fun."

Some students decided to take a foreign language for future use in college. Junior John Gilbert decided to take Latin because "I want to do something in the field of science, and I switched to Spanish because it is becoming a requirement at most colleges." Junior Colin Burns answered, "I mainly began taking Spanish because I was told it was helpful for college, however it has been quite useful. When I have traveled to other cities I have been able to read directions and listen to people in Spanish."

The language of Chinese was offered again this year after it had been dropped last year due to lack of interest. The course is taught by Mr. Kansas, who said, "It opens your eyes to another totally different language and culture. It is very different from other foreign languages."

Although these languages were often hard to learn, and took many hours of studying, it proved beneficial in the long run to many students. *Jonathan McSheffrey, John Campbell*



▲ Seniors Amy McHugh and Matt O'Gara study together. Studying with friends often made learning easier. photo by McGrath

◀ Senior Chris Grugan waves the French flag with pride in his A.P. French class. Many students learned about other cultures through their foreign languages classes. photo by C. Higgins



Law and Disorder

Come to order, the alternative meeting was now in session. "I heard about this 'School Meeting' when I was in the outside program," stated Kerri Heafey, a junior, who is preparing to leave the program next year. "No one ever told me that my peers would be the ones deciding if I should be suspended or accepted in this program." The alternative education students evaluate one another everyday in this meeting. Discussing attendance, attitudes and personal issues.

These sessions proved positive or at least enlightening to students. "School Meeting is the most important part of my day," said senior Joe Robles. "Students help one another through what we call constructive criticism. We straighten each other out."

"Commitment, Cooperation, and Communication are the golden rules," claimed Casey Wright, a junior in the program. "If it's not Mr. Swonton that nails you it might be Jackie, Joe or Chad. It is no' Happy High School'."

"Self Evaluation is a daily activity, just like going to the science lab, or writing lab. "You have to make an effort in meeting or you will catch heat," proclaimed Jackie Froio. "I remember when I first came into the program, I

sat in the corner and was afraid to speak. Today I have confidence in stating my own opinion."

"School Meeting is similar to having a court hearing everyday," said senior Kevin Gerard.

"If you have a bad day someone will always give you support," explained Shannon Lafferty.

"School meeting is like looking in a mirror," said Katie Polio. Students were always encouraging to one another. "If you don't like what you see, there is always someone who will help you see the positives."

The School meeting in the program was the most important part of many students day. This meeting gave students the chance to express their feelings on certain school views and other situations. And it also gives the students the chance to speak freely to one another. *Mr Swonton. Jennifer Bell, Beth King.*

► Mrs. Ripley's helpful house aid Caitlin Payne is sitting in the house office reading a get well card for a faculty member. Senior Caitlin was in the alternative program for three years.

photo by C. Higgins

▼ Friends socialize after school. Freshman Jen Hayden and sophomore Jackie King sit outside of school to chat.

photo by McGrath

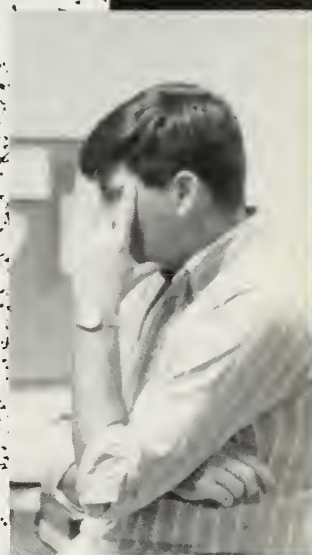


▲ Friends hang together after school. Sophomore Cherie Irwin and senior Caitlin Payne smile as they sit outside on the school wall.
photo by McGrath





▼ As the term comes to an end, Mr. Crook, an alternative teacher, thinks how he is going to get the grades in on time. But at that point, he wasn't the only one that wanted more time. photo by B. Kane



▲ Students in the Alternatives program anxiously wait for a chance to speak their minds. Class discussions were an important part of the program.. photo by McGrath



Trying to beat her opponent to the ball, sophomore Melissa Bestick heads forward at full force. The competitiveness of field hockey caused players to always play tough and aggressively. photo by McGrath



Blocking a shot, freshman Craig Smith jumps up in the air to stop the ball from entering his goalpost. Being goalie required great agility, reflexes, and a lot of practice. photo by McGrath

Rushing the field for a touchdown, freshman Joe Pendergast tries to outwit his Newton North opponent. photo by McGrath



Supporting their team, members of the girls' varsity soccer team sit and cheer on players on the field with screams and posters. Support, spirit, and pride increased dramatically among players and fans. photo by McGrath





← Looking ahead, captain Darren Scartissi watches his shot sail across the green. The golf team had a successful season as Bay State League Champs. photo by R. Preus

DRAWN TO ACTION

The action and competitiveness of team sports had always appealed to students. Braintree had always been known for its tough, aggressive teams, and this year proved no different.

The boys' varsity soccer team made it to the MIAA Eastern Mass. Boys' Soccer Tournament where they placed third overall. It was an outstanding accomplishment for the team considering the boys' soccer team had not been in the finals since 1985.

The golf team had another successful season, reigning as Bay State League Champs.

The varsity football team had a great season, but the highlights were the wins against Walpole and Brookline. The glorious victory over Brookline held a special place in players and fans hearts because it was the first home game win in five years for the varsity team.

The cheerleading team placed fourth at the Bay State League Competition and fourth at the BC High Competition.

Many athletes were recognized for outstanding ability, such as Gina Testa of the girls' varsity volleyball team and Brian Laneau of the boys' varsity soccer team, who were chosen as Bay State League All Stars. Jim Farrenkoph, of the golf team, was a medalist at Division One South Sectional Qualifying.

With all of the outstanding achievements, school spirit skyrocketed. Spectators' enthusiasm at sporting events soared and the Homecoming Pep Rally raised team spirit and pride even more.

But, no matter what the outcome of the game was, Braintree always managed to come out number one. *Coleen Flynn*




Sports



► Striving to do her best, senior Carolyn Herzog puts her heart and soul into her last home race. All of the senior girls had been on the team since their freshman year and the last race was memorable. photo by McGrath

▼ It's over! Members of the boys team relax after their race. Since the races were so exhausting the time after them was spent getting energy back and rejoicing that it was over. photo by McGrath



▼ On the final stretch Eddie Gardner, a senior, concentrates on keeping his pace. Staying at a good pace and pushing yourself took a lot of concentration. photo by McGrath



CROSS COUNTRY

BOYS

DEDHAM 20-35
NEWTON NORTH 33-23
WALPOLE 28-29
NATICK 21-36
BROOKLINE 17-45
NORWOOD 30-26
NEEDHAM 19-39
FRAMINGHAM 27-28
WELLESLEY 27-28
MILTON 15-50
8 WINS 2 LOSSES

GIRLS

DEDHAM 18-42
NEWTON NORTH 44-17
WALPOLE 30-26
NATICK 24-33
BROOKLINE 24-43
NORWOOD 42-17
NEEDHAM 16-45
FRAMINGHAM 15-45
WELLESLEY 19-42
MILTON 16-39
7 WINS 3 LOSSES

▼ Front row: Aleina Kerins, June Beack, Beth Sarney, Tara Fallon, Amy Patel. Second Row: Mr Walsh, Meghan Lydon, Susan Lydon, Angie DeFrancesco, Aditi Viadya, Michelle Mazzarella, Abby Franklin, Anna Lipinski, Marisa Vella. Last Row: Michelle Lang, Meghan Rooney, Michelle Lauria, Erin Short, Maryellen McDonagh, Jennifer McIsaac, Carolyn Herzog, Katie DeLucca, Stephanie Porter. photo by McGrath



Mary Ellen McDonagh
Senior

A strong runner and great co-captain, Maryellen was a key person in the unity of the team. photo by McGrath



▼ Front row: Mike Hanks, Mike Guerriero, Kevin Nee, Elvis Tam, Giuseppe Olivadoti, John Cambell, Paul Alvarado, John Haran. Back row: Dennis O'Connell, Greg Cambell, Eddie Gardner, Ben Sigel, Chris Grugan, Hale Hack, Mike Cuddy, Mike Moran, Rich Chang, Coach Catalano. photo by McGrath



Hale Hack
Senior
The top runner and co-captain, Hale came through for his team in many meets. photo by McGrath



¶ Almost there! John Cambell, a junior, strives to get the best time he can. Runners were always trying to break their own times, even if the race was already won. photo by McGrath



Anticipation at the firing of the gun brought on an

Adrenaline Rush

"Ahhhh," screamed freshman Krista Sweeney just before the start of her first cross country meet. Rookie or veteran, the moments before the gun shot were intense. "Finish," junior Giuseppe Olivadoti's only thought: it filled his mind as he positioned himself on the starting line.

Half the girls cross country team were new runners. With enthusiasm, the beginners brought a sea of smiles to every practice. Freshman Abby Franklin stated, "My first day of practice, I thought the seniors would completely ignore the freshmen, but it turned out that everyone was friends no matter what grade they were in."

Co-captain Maryellen McDonagh explained, "Meeting all the new freshmen was motivating. There is so much potential for them to succeed." By the final weeks of the season many freshmen endured the toughest workouts as well as the veteran

runners did.

Experience paved the road to success for the boys cross country team. Finishing second in the Carey Division, the guys worked hard to fulfill their goals. Co-captain Hale Hack replied, "The season was not our best season as far as winning goes, but many individual goals were reached and conquered."

Whether it was their first year running or their last, they focused on achieving personal goals and having fun doing it. Winning might not have been a huge part of their seasons but the teams kept their spirit and energy up to an unbelievable pitch. After all the racing, one element remained, a great runner's high! *Tara Fallon & Stephanie Porter*



¶ Tackling the hill, senior Michelle Lauria pushes herself to get to the top. Close to the end, runners used the fitness trail hill to further the distance from their opponents. photo by McGrath

◀ Breather! Before the line up for the start of the race senior Jen McIsaac chats with freshmen Lauren Lesogor and Mikalah Carlson. Even though the start of the races were tense, the time before the line up was used to relax with friends. photo by McGrath



VARSITY SOCCER

GIRLS

NEWTON NORTH 0-6
MILTON 0-4, 1-4
WALPOLE 0-0, 1-3
DEDHAM 0-0, 0-1
NATICK 1-5, 0-6
FRAMINGHAM 0-7
WELLESLEY 0-3
BROOKLINE 2-1, 4-0
WALPOLE 1-3
NEWTON NORTH 0-8
NORWOOD 1-2
FRAMINGHAM 0-5
NEEDHAM 1-6

Wins 2 Losses 13
Ties 2

BOYS

NEWTON NORTH 1-1
MILTON 3-1, 2-1
DEDHAM 0-0
NATICK 2-1, 4-3
FRAMINGHAM 0-0, 0-1
WELLESLEY 0-1
BROOKLINE 2-0, 10-1
WALPOLE 0-0
NEWTON NORTH 1-2
NORWOOD 4-1
NEEDHAM 0-1

Wins 7 Losses 4 Ties 4

Back Row: P.J. McConville, Dennis Galvin, Brandon Candura, Tom Mochen, Chad Gouthro, Paul Blaney, Adam Grushey, Jeremy Zahn, Roh Hull, assistant coach Mr. Laneau, and Head Coach Fran Roberts. Front Row: Brian MacLeod, Mike Rihino, P.J. Kippenhan, Brian Laneau (co-capt.), Jon McSheffrey (co-capt.), Brian Holmes, Tom Wetzel, and Scott Ennis. photo by McGrath



Brian Laneau
Senior
He was the second leading scorer in the Bay State League. His speed and consistent play sparked the team to a hearth in the tournament. photo by McGrath



Back Row: Lenore Herget, Karen O'Brien, Katie Wyatt, Erin Holmes, Mary Ellen Porter, Allison Sampson, Renee Jackson, Katy Young, Melissa Ruozzi, Andrea Markowski, Leah McGinn, and Coach Kathy Goodwin. Front Row: Amy Madden, Karla Smith, Amanda Markowski (co-capt.), Jill Geary (co-capt.), Katie Drew, and Tracy Keele. photo by McGrath



Amanda Markowski
Senior
She was the top goal scorer on the girls soccer team. She showed leadership on and off the field. photo by McGrath



▲ Renee Jackson prepares to steal the ball from her opponent. The girls managed to play hard even when the going got tough. photo by McGrath

► Paul Blaney heads the ball into play. The boys' heads up play was the difference between this year and past years. photo by McGrath



▲ Driving up the field, sophomore Andrea Markowski tries to control the ball as she wards off a defender. This year's senior class was complemented by a talented group of underclassmen to form a strong nucleus for next year. photo by McGrath



← Pushing aside the defender, Co - Captain Jill Geary attacks the opponent's net. The girls played hard all season but thier effort did not show in their record. Photo by McGrath

↓ Co- Captain Jon McSheffrey prepares to boot the ball into play. Fierce determination lead the boys to a bearth in the state tournament. photo by McGrath



Boys soar to top as girls look for answers in . . .

A Tale of Two Seasons

Charge!!! The boys' and the girls' varsity soccer teams charged into the 93-94 season with a desire to win. The teams came into the season with the realization that it would be a tough battle. the Bay State League was one of the best in the state.

"During double sessions we set two goals: to have a winning season and to make it to the tournament," said Scott Ennis. The girls looked to do their best to make it to the tourney too, even though they knew they had to play some of the top ranked teams in the state.

"It's hard to go in to the season knowing you have to play the number one team in the country and the top teams in the state, but the team stuck together and we were able too make it through the season with a couple of wins and ties," commented Katie Drew. The high point of the girls season was the 0-0 tie against Walpole, the #8 team in the state.

The team stuck together with a strong desire to win and played their best game of the season.

The captains of the boys' team, Brian Laneau and Jon McSheffrey, led their team to a great start. Chad Gouthro, a junior, sparkled in the net, taking the place of the senior goalkeeper, P.J. McConville, who was out of action due to a head injury. The boys jumped to one of their best starts ever.

The girls captains, Jill Geary and Amanda Markowski, were unable to do the same, but they still showed great spirit and kept fighting hard. The girls broke out to one of their most disappointing starts ever. They had to endure one of the toughest schedules and leagues. They played Newton North, the number 1 girls' soccer team in the country and other top ten teams in the state.

"Having to play in a league as powerful as the Bay State League hurts our team,

because we always end up in last place. We are really a group of talented athletes stuck playing against teams that are part of the top 10 in the state," said co-captain Amanda Markowski. The boys kept rolling and were in contention for a bearth in the tournament. Having lost a couple of close games, they needed to win their last game against Milton. Co-captain Brian Laneau led the team with 2 goals to beat Milton 2-1 for the first bearth in the tournament since 1985. Meanwhile, the girls never gave up and kept fighting like true warriors.

Mary Ellen Porter summed up the girls' season best when she said, "I think that being able to keep our heads up and go into every game with a positive, winning attitude made the season worth it."

Darren Scartissi, Ramsey Porteus



Soccer's the name and kickin's the game as the freshman and JV soccer teams . . .

Showed Off Their Stuff

They came, they saw, they conquered (their league at least)! Posting a spectacular record with only 3 losses, the Boys' J.V. team was at the top of their game and the league.

Avenging two of their losses, they came back to beat Natick and Framingham soundly. "Our toughest game was Natick who beat us 1-0. But we got revenge and killed them 2-0," explained sophomore Adam Orlandella.

The wins resulted from hard work and determination along with skills practiced everyday. "I think what really helped us to beat the tougher teams was playing together and working hard," stated sophomore John Galvin.

Play hard they did. Leading the team in scoring was Brett Laneau whose fancy footwork led to many goals and offensive opportunities. "Brett really

came through against Natick. His smart play pulled the whole team through," remarked co-captain Paul Arnstein.

Unfortunately the Freshmen team didn't have as good a season as their older counterparts. Their hapless losses were a result of inexperience at the high school level but their great passing and smart playing dazzled their fans. "We all worked hard out there. We just couldn't get it together sometimes," said freshman Tim Donovan.

Their finest game came against Brockton. Fine defensive plays and hard work boosted the team to a tie.

Leaving spectacular memories and a few heartaches behind them, the players were examples of fine athletes. Neither team was unhappy with their losses, both look to next year to improve. *Katy Young and Katie Durfee*



▲ Making a spectacular save, sophomore Taylor Sturtevant keeps tough rival Framingham from scoring. The goalie was the most important player on the field and Taylor worked hard all year to post many shut outs. photo by McGrath



▲ Clearing the hall out of the goal area, sophomore Adam Orlandella takes control of the situation. Leadership qualities and smart play was important for all defensive positions. photo by McGrath

► Freshman Avery Sturtevant struggles to take control of the ball as his opponents try to impede his progress. With outstanding playing, the freshman team was often able to play tough in tiring games. photo by McGrath



↓ Chasing down a loose ball, freshman Tim Donovan makes an extra effort to keep his team on offense. Hustle and determination were the main characteristics of the freshman team. photo by McGrath



→ Making an unbelievable effort to help his team from being defeated, freshman Mike O'Rourke passes his Milton opponent with the ball in his control. The freshman team often handled the ball with self-confidence. photo by McGrath

↓ Charging up the field, sophomore Phil Devoe blows past his Natick defender. Fast footwork and overall speed was essential in defeating tough opponents. photo by McGrath



J.V. BACK ROW: Coach Bill Macechern, Matt Fuccillo, John Galvin, Phil Devoe, Mark Grushy, Taylor Sturtevant, Bill Lydon, Steve Daly, Jim Alves, Adam Orlandella. FRONT ROW: Paul Arnstein, Ned Hickey, Mark Schuster, Jim Cotter, Brett Laneau. photo by McGrath

Freshman BACK ROW: Coach Mr. Carson, Mike Grugan, Scott Sardo, Marco Ignani, Mike O'Rourke, Bill Nagel, Jeff Candura, David Baird, Chad Edgar, Mike Cuscianna, Greg Newman, Briol Erol, Adam Ruprect. FRONT ROW: Tim Donovan, Avery Stuurtevant, David Powers, Andy Cox, Craig Smith, Dave Mariano, Matt Rosen, Richy Nelson, Jim Dowd. photo by McGrath



Taylor Sturtevant
Sophomore
Emerging
as a team leader and a valuable asset to the team, he held opponents to few goals in all games. photo by McGrath



Briol Erol
Freshman
Demonstrating
fabulous
footwork and ball
handling skills, Briol was a
threat to any opponent
when in control of the ball.
photo by McGrath

JV
NEWTON NORTH 3-3, 2-1
MILTON 3-1, 2-2
DEDHAM 2-0
NATICK 0-1, 2-0
FRAMINGHAM 2-0, 0-1
WELLESLEY 1-1
BROOKLINE 3-0, 5-1
WALPOLE 0-0
NORWOOD no game
NEEDHAM 0-2
7 WINS 3 LOSSES 4 TIES

FRESHMAN
WEYMOUTH 1-4
WELLESLEY 0-4, 1-4
BROOKLINE 0-6, 2-3
NEEDHAM 0-4
MILTON 0-6
WALPOLE 1-3
BROCKTON 0-0
0 WINS 8 LOSSES 1 TIE

BOYS
SOCCER



► Lisa Opanasetts runs quickly to meet the ball. Speed as well as endurance was extremely important for the girls' soccer teams. photo by McGrath

▼ Before the game, freshman Danielle Kehoe polishes her passing skills. Time before games was used to perfect small skills to be used in games. photo by McGrath



It's Not Whether You Win or Lose,

Playing Just for Kicks

Life's short, kick hard. Just playing soccer proved to be the passion for both the freshman and junior girls soccer teams, even if the records for the teams didn't show it.

Both the frosh and the JV teams faced many problems this year. Injuries and lack of players to be the worst of them. "I was surprised at how few people went out this year," said Kerry McDermott, junior on JV. "I hope more people play next year because it's hard for us to play the whole game without any subs," added sophomore Kate McDonough also on JV.

Malissa Hunt, a junior on JV, remarked, "It's hard to see a sport you've

personally spent so much time on receive so little enthusiasm. Kids divided their time amongst many other activities, so many students do not come out to practice."

The people who loved the game stuck with it. Freshman Danielle Kehoe added, "We had a great time playing even if the record didn't reflect that." "Soccer is always fun. It really doesn't matter all that much if we win or not," remarked freshman Jody Gardner. Kate McAllister, freshman, said, "For most of the season it was really cold and drizzly, but we still came out and gave it our all because we love the game, and besides, if we don't do it, who will?"

Many people had been playing since they were in kindergarten. Stacey Sampson,

a sophomore on JV, said, "I have been out here playing since I was 7 years old. To get good at the game, you have to have dedication." Karen Proto, JV sophomore, added, "Soccer is addictive."

For people who love the game, it is hard to see so few people willing to play. Despite the hardships that have befallen the teams, sophomore JV player Kaitlyn MacDonald spoke for most on the teams when she said, "So what if we didn't win most of our games, we still had a great time." *Julie Higgins*



▼ JV Back Row: Lisa Opanasets, Denise Brown, Malissa Hunt, Kate McDonough, Ali Monac, Colleen Barrett, Stacey Sampson, Coach Lyn Holzman. Front Row: Katie Lewis, Eileen Cusack, Kerry McDermott, Karen Proto, Trisha Mosesso, Keri Sherlock, Julie Higgins, Kaitlyn MacDonald. photo by McGrath



Katie Lewis
Junior
CenterMidfield

Katie's enthusiasm and team spirit helped the J.V. team to still have fun despite their disappointing record. photo by McGrath



▼ Frosh Back Row: Coach Michelle Duffy, Shelley Lyons, Katherine Kehoe, Liz LoCasio, Teresa Walsh, Lynn Belyea, Sharon Blaney. Middle Row: Jody Gardner, Kate McAllister, Tracey Hull, Danielle Kehoe, Eileen Murray, Allison Craven, Amanda Lacey. Front Row: Tara Paz, Sara Dunn, Joanne Crowley, Niera Marshall. photo by McGrath



Shelley Lyons
Freshman
CenterMidfield

left Shelley's hardwork and determination helped the Freshman team throughout the season. photo by McGrath



J. V.
NEWTON NORTH 0-3
MILTON 2-3
WALPOLE 3-4
DEDHAM 3-1
NATICK 0-1
FRAMINGHAM 0-7
BROOKLINE 0-2
DEDHAM 0-6
WALPOLE 0-5
NEWTON NORTH 1-8
NORWOOD 10-0
NATICK 2-1
3Wins 9 Losses

FRESHMEN
WEYMOUTH 0-5
WELLESLEY 1-1
NEEDHAM, 0-3
MILTON 3-2
NATICK 3-1
WALPOLE 1-1
FRAMINGHAM 0-1
NEWTON NORTH 0-5
WALPOLE 1-1
WELLESLEY 1-2
NEEDHAM 0-3
WEYMOUTH No Game
MILTON 2-3
URSALINE ACADEMY
No Game
2Wins 7Losses 3Ties

GIRLS SOCCER



▲ Concentrating, freshman Joanne Crowley traps the ball. Trapping the ball was a skill commonly used in soccer. photo by McGrath



▲ Running quickly, freshman Kate McAllister beats out her opponent. Games depended on the speed of each team. photo by McGrath



▲ Jumping towards the ball, freshman Jody Gardner makes the save. Goalie was the position where some players really shoed their skill. photo by McGrath



► Noelle Achille rushes downfield in lue of the ball. Aggressive play became difficult during the latter part of the game, but many players refused to give in. photo by McGrath

▼ Rushing between opponents, Junior Stefanie D'Ambrosio cruises past the defense. Through the season, stick handling skills improved. photo by McGrath



FIELD HOCKEY

VARSITY

NEWTON NORTH 0-3
DEDHAM 0-4
DEDHAM 1-4
NATICK 1-2
FRAMINGHAM 0-3
WELLESLEY 0-5
BROOKLINE 0-5
WALPOLE 0-12
MINUTEMEN REG. 1-1
NEWTON NORTH 0-5
NORWOOD 0-8
NATICK 2-4
FRAMINGHAM 0-5
NEEDHAM 0-2
BROOKLINE 0-3
MILTON 0-6

15 LOSSES
0 WINS
1 TIE

▼ Junior Varsity. Front Row: Alicia Gray, Kathleen McDermott, Michelle Mason. Back Row: Melissa McNally, Keri O'Brien, Katie Fink, and Mrs. Mahar. photo by McGrath



Kelly Honiker
Junior
"Through perseverance, Kelly Honiker has improved in the past season to be an asset to the team with her great save percentage," remarked Coach McGuire photo by McGrath



▼ Varsity. Front Row: Kelly Honiker, Tara McCarthy, Sarah Emond, Jushea Rose, Melissa Bestick. Back Row: Larae Junior, Jennifer Pelose, Kate Hennigan, Stefanie D'Ambrosio, Marissa Cotton, Collen Cushing, Noelle Achille. photo by McGrath



Jen Pelose
Junior
Third year starting half-back, Jen Pelose, has developed into a solid defensive player and team leader through her hard work and determination. photo by McGrath



➤ Junior Kelly Honiker tries her hand at goaltending. Keeper of the net was a position that took a special kind of athlete to handle, especially when most had little experience. photo by McGrath

▼ Sophomore Katie Fink is hip checked on her way downfield. Surprising to most was the physical activity that took place on the field. photo by McGrath

The Season Looked Dismal, Players Found they were Only Temporarily Offsides

Field hockey, what's that? Not many people knew what the sport was. But still some brave girls decided to try it. The fact that the sport was new to most of the girls on the team made learning and having fun more important than winning. The players gave one hundred percent all the time and made the game fun and exciting. Larae Junior, a second year player said, "The game is difficult to learn. But once you get the hang of it, it's a fun, exciting action-packed game until the end."

Field hockey was a sport that required a knowledge of the game and the rules. It required a certain determination to go head to head with a competitor and not back down from her. Because field hockey was a combination of ice hockey and soccer, it made the sport more difficult for the novice players to master. But in the end, the members of the team felt a personal satisfaction for trying something that many others were afraid to try. Junior Stefanie D'Ambrosio said, "This was my first year playing field hockey, and I'm

glad I did. It made me proud to be a part of a team that had so much spirit."

Even though field hockey looked hard, it was easy for novice players to improve their skills. The determination of the returning players and willingness they had to instruct made the game that much easier to learn. Junior Erin Whitney stated, "I was new to the sport. But the returnees made me feel comfortable and that made it easier to ask questions. I also learned quickly by watching the other team members who have played for a couple of years."

The field hockey team found that having fun and learning new things was more important than having a winning score. Even though they never won a game, the players ended the season with a personal satisfaction of having participated in a sport that was not only new and different, but also difficult. *Jen Early and Hale Hack*



▲ Kathleen McDermott plays defensively against a Natick opponent. Defense was one of the stronger aspects of the field hockey team. photo by McGrath

➤ Tara McCarthy and Sarah Emond discuss a call made by the officials. Throughout the season, Tara took control of situations and earned the job of captain. photo by McGrath



↑ Displaying their strength, teammates throw Maria Thompson in a traditional basket toss. The squad was known for its superb execution of difficult stunts. photo by McGrath



↑ Cheerleading. Front Row: Katie Riley, Dawn Picewick, Tiffany Ryder, Maria Thompson, Jackie Akoury, Amanda Foley, Stephanie Minichello. Middle Row: Althea Stephens, Kim Aitken, Jocelyn Stapleton, Sharon Capobianchi, Kate Rogan, Amy Lydon. Back Row: Amy Colley, Kelly Smith, Sara Anderson, Jen Akoury, and Jen Jones. photo by McGrath



Jackie Akoury
Senior
Jackie is an outstanding cheerleader. She is first team all star in the Bay State League. She is a great influence on the team. photo by D. Picewick



↑ Cheer/Dance. Front Row: April Johnston, Melissa Ditocco, Shannon Heine, Cindy Rush, Meghan McSheffrey, Nicole Toma. Middle Row: Leahanne Mansfield, Nicole Vieira, Jill Norton, Denise Dimarzo, Kerry Gibbons. Back Row: Tanya Mahar, Michelle Goggin, Kelly Hatch, Christy Clark, and Jill McDonough. photo by McGrath



Cindy Rush
Senior
Cindy is a super captain. She is extremely dedicated and works very hard. She is a good role model for her team mates. photo by McGrath



↑ While performing their routine, the Dance Team tries some new moves. Spectators felt half time was incomplete without a number by the Dance Team. photo by McGrath

➤ Clowning around at the Homecoming parade, Shannon Heine hugs spectator Sarah Hale. Cheerleaders made a special effort to welcome children attending the parade. photo by McGrath



↑ Showing their excitement for the Homecoming festivities, Kim Aitkin and Althea Stephens dance for the fans. The cheerleaders played a big part in getting the crowd psyched. photo by McGrath





◀ The cheerleading team practices for many hours to perfect their stunts. The opening mount was one of the harder ones to perform. photo by McGrath

▼ Sharon Capobianchi cheers vigorously at the pep rally. The cheerleaders spent many weeks preparing a routine for the rally. photo by McGrath



If you think cheerleaders are not athletes

You've Missed the Whole Game

She's bouncy, blond, blue eyed, and your basic airhead. She's the stereotypical cheerleader. Although this opinion is common, it is also dead wrong. Sophomore Sara Anderson added, "Usually cheerleaders are characterized as ditzy, and I am not." Cheerleaders, like other athletes, are well trained and skilled. Amanda Foley, a senior revealed, "People's opinions of cheerleaders are rapidly changing. We aren't stupid or unathletic. We all have to be athletically inclined, strong, possess endurance and most importantly devotion." People did not realize how intense the sport of cheerleading could actually be.

If one walked in on a cheerleading or dance team practice, an immediate understanding of the difficulty of the sport would be established. From the moment the

girls walked in the room, until the moment they left, they put in a hundred percent effort. No sitting down, giggling, and gossiping about boys, it was time to prepare for the games, pep-rallies, or a future competition.

Attendance was crucial. Sophomore Jen Akoury explained, "All of us have to take care of ourselves, so we can make every practice. If one person misses practice, it effects the whole team." Jen realized how easy it was to injure oneself, after breaking her ankle freshmen year while practicing before a game. Other injuries such as concussions, sprained wrists, and back problems, resulted from intense practices and workouts.

In order to maintain one's spot on either squad, the girls had to receive good grades in all major subjects. Leahanne Mansfield a sophomore stated, "My hair may be blond, but

I make cheerleading practice everyday and still make honor-roll!" Along with making the grade, Senior Katie Riley was a successful class president and was very active in school. Katie explained, "I work hard at cheerleading, but I work just as hard in school. If one wants to be successful in the future, they have to start working now."

Many overlooked the hard work and time put into cheerleading, preferring to believe the stereotypical image of "she's just a pretty face". Dancing and cheering require eight to ten hours a week of practice a week, showing that cheerleading required much more than a short skirt. *Nicole Toma and Kate Rogan*



The 1993 team had ...

A Strong Foundation

Just win baby!! was the plan for this years varsity football team. The teams 1993 season was a decided improvement over last years 0-10 finish. It was lead by a group of experienced juniors and seniors.

The high light of the season was the team's victory over Walpole . The Walpole game was a tale of two halves. Walpole dominated the first half building a 20-0 lead. In the second half, the wamps capitalized on 3 Walpole turnovers for 21 points. When Walpole scored again, the Wamps drove the length of the field to score , taking the lead 28-27 with less than two minutes to go.

The game came down to a field goal by Walpole which went wide right. The Wamps downed the ball and the clock hit 00:00 and the victory was complete.

"Beating Walpole was awesome

. I have never beaten Walpole in my seven years of football . It truly was a sweet thing, " exclaimed Brian Kelleher.

Colin Lynch said, "It was great. All the emotions that had built up over two years came out that day. We gained the respect of the league."

Pat Murray's feelings after the game were simply stated "Very good, ecstatic, and tired." "It was exciting .The fact that we won was incredible, after suffering through the last two years," remarked Shawn Connors.

According to Matt Nichols, "Our team played with more confidence than any Braintree football team in the past 20 years." The team finished 2-8 playing each game hard and not letting any team forget who they played and what to expect from now on from Braintree. *Ramsey Porteus*

↑ Ramsey Porteus and Chris Dorn chase after the Dedham quarterback. The wamps defense was able to stop opposing offenses keeping the team in the game. Photo by McGrath



→ Shawn Connors, Matt Nichols, Joe Holmes, and Jerry Kenny tackle Needham's fullback as he gets the 1st down. The wamps defense swarmed on opposing teams this year holding most teams to under 20 points. Photo by McGrath

↑ Greg Googins takes the ball and tries to catch the corner against the Needham defense. Googins played tailback and was the leading rusher for the team this year. Photo by McGrath



▼ Brian Kelleher and Chris Dorn tackle the Dedham tailback. The Braintree front seven was most effective against the run forcing many teams to revert to trick plays and the pass. Photo by McGrath



► Steve Kenny flies past the Dedham defenders on his way down field. Kenny was one of the backs that made it possible for the team to run the offense to perfection. Photo by McGrath

▼ Pat Murray pushes the Needham defender aside as Colin Lynch runs through the hole. The offensive line of the wamps was able to control the line of scrimmage and allow the backs to run. Photo by McGrath



▼ Back Row: Leigh Williams, Richard Jimenez, Matt Sterling, Jonathan Marks, Steve Devine, Jerry Kenny, Mike Kerns, John Tassinari, Nathan Collins-Jensen, Jarrod Petrelli, Paul Distefano, Second Row: Jay Hoey, John Jones, Mike Tricomi, Chris Dorn, Jim Masterson, Pat Flynn, Mike Rossman, Steve Kenny, Tony Petreyko, Alex Bronner, Robert Kerrissey, Jarrod Walbridge Front Row: Gavin Guerschuny, Joe Holmes, Steve Ivens, Brian Kelleher, Ramsey Porteus (tri-capt.), Colin Lynch (tri-capt.), Shawn Connors (tri-capt.), Pat Murray, Justin McLaughlin, Chris Welch, Greg Googins, Matt Nichols photo by McGrath



Colin Lynch
Senior
Tri-captain.
He was this
years leading tackler and
was also one of the leading
rushers on the team. Photo
by McGrath



Greg Googins
Senior
Greg was the
leading rusher for the
team. He was also the
punter and kicker for
most of the season. Photo by
McGrath

F O O T B A L L

VARSITY
NATICK 12-26
WALPOLE 28-27
NEEDHAM 6-7
FRAMINGHAM 7-14
NORWOOD 13-21
DEDHAM 7-19
BROOKLINE 26-21
WELLESLEY 0-55
NEWTON NORTH 0-20
MILTON 0-20
2 WINS
8 LOSSES



► Calling out the play, sophomore Nathan Collin Jensen tells the offensive what play to run. Many plays were put in and practiced and some worked to perfection. photo by McGrath

▼ Preparing to snap the ball, freshman Adam McGlaughlin waits for Paul O'Keefe's signal for the play. In order for a play to be successful, the center quarterback exchange is necessary. photo by McGrath



Do you have what it takes?

Are You Tough Enough?

Freshman and junior varsity football players challenged each other throughout the season and strived to play their best. Freshman, Nick Want stated, "We push each other each game, each practice, and everyday. We want to make each other better players to make varsity someday." The guys pumped each other up before each game in hopes of a victory.

Many students agreed that the physical appeal of the game attracted them to play. Freshman, Jay Covitz remarked, "I love to play the game because it involves hard work and concentration." Other guys just liked the excitement of the game. Freshman, Mike Saville commented, "I enjoy playing football because it's a rough game. The strategy and plays make it exciting."

Most freshman players agreed that Needham was the best game. Nick

Want said, "We played a great team game, we won, and it was our first game playing together this season." Students agreed that they've played well throughout the season. Freshman, Jay Covitz stated, "I'm satisfied with the way we've played and I'm glad the long practices have paid off. The team has stayed late many days to get each play down correctly and I'm glad we've worked so hard." The junior varsity team has played just as well as the rising freshman players. Sophomore Nathan Collins Jensen stated, "Playing football involves a lot of hard work and practice. This year there has been a lot of stiff competition, but we've improved a lot over the course of the season."

For many male students, football was just a rough, tough, and fun game to enjoy playing while they were young, and to enjoy watching when they grew older. *Shelly Lyons and Vicki Adams*



▲ Moving in for a tackle, freshman Frank Antonelli awaits his opponent. The defense contributes as much to a game as the offense. photo by McGrath

▼ Freshman. Front row: Matt Dorn, Joe Pendergast, Mike Basile, Paul Buker, Rich Costello, Anthony Eagan, Jason Beauvais, Bill Jewett, John Marini, Boh Lauria, Shawn Needle, and Andy Leita. Back row: Adam Difazio, Si Gatto, Jason Magnell, Frank Antonelli, Matt Toland, Brendan Duffy, Paul O'Keefe, Nick Want, Ed Bynarowicz, Dan Sparrow, Adam McLaughlin, Jay Covitz, Ed Walker, Adam Gallahue, Carl Jones, Jack Conley, and Mike Ricardo photo by McGrath



The freshman team was full of talent, each player contributed to the group success. photo by McGrath



▼ Junior Varsity. Front row: Gavin Guerschuny, Joe Holmes, Steve Ivens, Brian Kelleher, Ramsey Porteus (tri-Capt.), Colin Lynch (tri-Capt.), Shawn Connors (tri-Capt.), Pat Murray, Justin McLaughlin, Chris Welch, Greg Googins, and Matt Nichols. Middle Row: Jay Ilcoy, John Jones, Mike Tricomi, Chris Dorn, Jim Masterson, Pat Flynn, Mike Rossman, Steve Kenny, Tony Petreyko, Alex Bronner, Boh Kerrissey, and Jarrod Walhridge. Back Row: Lee Williams, Richard Jimenez, Matt Sterling, Johnathan Marks, Steve Devine, Jerry Kenny, Mike Kerns, John Tassinari, Nathan Collins-Jensen, Jarrod Petrelli, and Paul Distefano, photo by McGrath



The junior varsity team relied on an ever changing group of players for power and leadership. photo by McGrath



FRESHMAN
NEWTON NORTH 0-20
NEEDHAM 20-0
FRAMINGHAM 15-14
NORWOOD 18-12
DEDHAM 12-8
BROOKLINE 8-13
WELLESLEY 14-0
WALPOLE 14-29
MILTON 28-0
6 WINS 3 LOSSES

J.V.
NATICK 0-16
WALPOLE 0-36
NEEDHAM 0-6
FRAMINGHAM 16-14
NORWOOD 0-30
DEDHAM 8-14
BROOKLINE 0-36
WELLESLEY 0-46
1 WINS 7 LOSSES

F O O T B A L L



▲ Making the tackle, freshman, Bob Lauria stops the Newton North drive. Many players contributed even though it led to a loss. photo by McGrath



▲ On the run, junior Alex Bronner makes his way past Newton North defenders. Many plays were run, but only a few led to touchdowns. photo by McGrath



▲ Slipping away from defenders, freshman, Matt Dorn carries for a first down. Many players enjoyed the thrill of rushing down field in hopes of a touchdown. photo by McGrath



During practice, Effie Kardaris humps the ball back to one of her teammates. Being on the volleyball team required lots of hard work and practice. photo by R. Preus

The JV team gathers around their coach, Steve Lind as they discuss their strategy. Volleyball was a skillfull game and it was important that teams had some kind of strategy. photo by R. Preus



Sophomore Jill Palingo scores a kill. Playing net consisted of constant concentration. photo by R. Preus



V O L L E Y B A L L

VARSITY

NEWTON NORTH 0-2
DEDHAM 1-2
NATICK 1-2
FRAMINGHAM 0-2
WELLESLEY 1-2
BROOKLINE 0-2
WALPOLE 0-2
NEWTON NORTH 0-2
NORWOOD 0-2
NATICK 1-2
FRAMINGHAM 0-2
NEEDHAM 2-1
BROOKLINE 0-2
MILTON 2-1
2 wins 12 losses

JUNIOR VARSITY
NEWTON NORTH 0-2
DEDHAM 2-0
DEDHAM 2-0
NATICK 2-1
FRAMINGHAM 0-2
WELLESLEY 0-2
BROOKLINE 0-2
WALPOLE 0-2
NEWTON NORTH 0-2
NORWOOD 0-2
NATICK 2-1
FRAMINGHAM 1-2
NEEDHAM 2-0
BROOKLINE 0-2
MILTON 2-0
6 wins 9 losses

Varsity. Back Row: Richard Carter, Katie McGrath, Lynn Connor, Alexis Troup, Jill Palingo, Mary Mcgrath, Marisa Federico, and Kelly Barrows. Front Row: Rachael Polvere, Gina Testa, Melissa Quinn, and Effie Kardaris. photo by McGrath



Gina Testa
Senior
"Gina never gave up and was always giving her all. She always knew when to put her well learned skills into action." photo by McGrath



J.V. Back Row: Margie Sullivan, Danielle Hutchins, Alexis Troup, Jo Jo Talieri, Lynn Connor, Margo Ahouzed, and coach Steve Lind. Front Row: Chrissy Sampson, Monique Trainor, Brooke Casanova, Eileen Holbrook, and Janice Giblin. photo by McGrath



Alexis Troup
Junior
"For her first year, she was outstanding in her basic skills. Although highly competitive in nature, she kept winning and losing in their proper prospective." photo by R. Preus



The girls volleyball teams had...

Full Intensity

Freshmen. BackRow: Hillary Sterling, Donika Luise, Alley Curry, Jill Watts, Melissa Parlee, and Coach Richard Carter. Front Row: Kristine Norrman, Jamie Petiti, Jordan Grow, and Rachael Polvere. photo by McGrath



With two points left to win the game the anxious teams awaited the victory of the final game of the season. As the last game came to an end, excitement filled the air as the girls varsity and junior varsity teams celebrated their defeat over Milton volleyball teams. The competition was tough but the Braintree girls never gave up. The team finished with a record of 2-13, but to the team, winning was not important. "I don't think winning is an indicator of success. As long as the girls enjoy it, learn something, and gain a sense of teamwork, they are all winners," said head coach Richard Carter.

The girls volleyball team had grown in popularity in the past years. Brooke Casanova, co-captain of the girls JV team, stated, "In general the sport has gained more popularity, it's not just the School's team." The year was full of excitement and some

disappointment for both varsity and junior varsity teams. Varsity gave their all with the guidance of the two senior captains Gina Testa and Melissa Quinn. "Even though volleyball is a team effort, the game also depends on individual attitude, character, and enthusiasm. If everyone works together and tries to achieve the best she can do, that's all anyone can expect," varsity co-captain Gina Testa stated. New skills were taught as well as learned by coach Carter and coach Lind in the trying season of 93. Although the record was low, in coach Carter's eyes, they were all winners. Freshman Jordan Grow proved Carter's "winner's theory" when she said, "It was fun and I learned a lot." *Melissa Pope, Monique Trainor, Leanne Gundel, Robin Graycar.*



▲ The varsity team gets down low ready for a serve. The players always had to be ready for whatever the opposing team had in store for them. photo by R. Preus

◀ Sophomore Marisa Frederico concentrates as she gets ready to bump to the setter. Marisa contributed greatly to the varsity team. photo by R. Preus



GOLF

BOYS

NEWTON NORTH 43-65
WELLESLEY 76.5-36.5
FRAMINGHAM 62-46
BROOKLINE 61-47
WALPOLE 59-49
BROCKTON 70-38
NEWTON NORTH 60-48
NORWOOD 61-48
NEEDHAM 53.5 54.5
FRAMINGHAM 65.5 42.5
MILTON 59-49
DEDHAM 85-23
BROOKLINE 69-37
11 WINS 2 LOSSES

▼ Back Row: Mr. Crook, Nick Dunn, Phil Psaros, Chris Psaros, Matt Pope, Jim Farrenkopf. Front Row: Dan Birolini, Captain Darren Scartissi, Captain Rich Lyons, Bill Wessman, George Jackson. Not Shown: Colin Burns, Greg Dunn, Sean McConville, Dave Cevolani, John Pilgrim. Photo by McGrath



Rich Lyons
Senior



A four year player with a natural gift for the game, he knows the game well and was one of the most disciplined players on the team. photo by McGrath



▼ Dave Cevolani pauses after his swing, to admire the distance of the shot. Long distance shots were a key part of the game. Photo by McGrath



▲ Trapped! Darren Scartissi does his best to get himself out of a sandtrap. Sandtraps presented no problem for the Wamps. photo by McGrath

► Junior Chris Psaros practices his putt as fellow teammates and adversaries look on. Raw talent plus hard work made Chris one of the best putters on the team. photo by McGrath



▲ Dan Birolini takes a swing back as he prepares to knock the ball into the hole. Dan had one of the most powerful swings on the team. photo by McGrath





← Sophomore Jim Farrenkopf contemplates the playing surface before he makes his shot. Accurate calculations were key in the game. photo by McGrath

↓ Bill Wessman winds up for his swing in perfect form. Form played a big part in the power of players swings. photo by McGrath



▲ Pure power. Junior Greg Dunn puts all his muscle into his swing. Greg was a force to be dealt with on this team. photo by McGrath

The golf team's consistency proved to be...

THE DRIVING FORCE

Smack! The golf team's season had begun. The team kept up Braintree's winning tradition. They did so by taking the number one spot in the Bay State League winning, a qualifying tournament for the Division 1 South Sectionals.

The motto of the team was consistency, and competitiveness. Sophomore Jim Farrenkopf stated "What I like best about golf is the sense of competition, and how anything can happen on any particular day. One day you can play your best and the next you can play your worst."

The team relied on the consistent turnout of low scores from several players, which was what helped them have a winning season. "The triple D's made the season a blast and kept the season competitive." Greg Dunn said, referring to captains Darren Scartissi,

Dick Lyons, and Senior Dan Birolini. These seniors lead the Wamps to an eleven and two record and to their most successful season in recent memory. These seniors also created an air of humility among the team members. Junior Chris Psaros joked, "Dick Lyons and Dan Birolini were a couple of class acts, I can speak for the team, when I say, we love them."

Most of the players agreed that their recent success was due to their work ethic. Junior Colin Burns stated, "Golf is a great game, you just need to be patient and put a great amount of time into it." All in all it was a hole in one season. *by Holly Flynn and John Gilbert*



The talent of the wrestling team kept opponents ...

Pinned to the Mat

Wrestlers strove for the best and accepted no less. Following the spirit of the school, captains Ben Sigel, Brian Holmes, and John Presutti led the team in all practices and matches. Wrestling often took hours of preparation not only on moves and tactics, but also on strength and conditioning. John Gilbert, junior, commented "The conditioning is hard, we do ten sets of stairs, and ten laps on the third floor. Then we go to the wrestling room and do sets of wind sprints and cals (push ups, sit ups, bridging)."

Although wrestling kept students in top shape, injuries often prevented them from practicing and competing.

Junior Ted Aveni related, "Although I was in shape from the intense practices, during a match, an opponents knee landed on my shin and kept me out for three weeks." Some injuries can go undetected. Junior Jim Masterson stated, "I fractured my ankle and did not know I had done it for a couple of days." With their strategies and hard work, the wrestlers were always trying to strengthen themselves and their confidence to become better wrestlers. *John Campbell, Chris Jamele, Katie Durfee*

▼ Junior John Presutti puts a hold on his opponent. Matches often went the full length making it very tiring. photo by McGrath



▲ Wriggling free from an opponent, junior Steve Toland escapes an imminent pin. Wrestling knowledge and maneuvers were sometimes more important than physical strength in competition. photo by McGrath

► Applying a hold, junior Brian Holmes reddies his opponent for a pin. Matches were won with quick moves to catch foes off guard. photo by McGrath



↓ Junior Greg Clark prepares himself for the match. Mental skills are important in wrestling. photo by McGrath

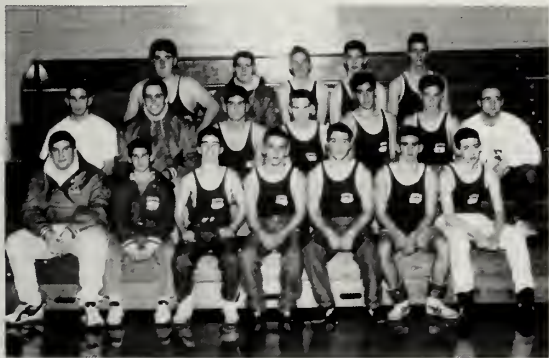


→ Directing from the sidelines, Coach Greene gives last minute instructions. Constant support and instruction provided motivation for each wrestler. photo by McGrath

↓ Driving his opponent over, junior John Presutti scores a takedown. In close matches, points became almost as important as a pin. photo by McGrath



↓ Wrestling team. Top: Mike Rossman, Tom Early, Jimmy Alves, John Presutti, Greg Clark. Middle: Sean Conners, Jim Masterson, Craig Donahue, Matt Fuccillo, John Galvin. Bottom: Ted Aveni, Steve Toland, Dello Derosba, Brian Holmes, Ben Sigel, John Gilbert. photo by McGrath



Ben Sigel
- Senior
He was a strong asset to the team, both as a captain and a leader. His determination contributed to the team's ability. photo by McGrath



↑ In the proper position, junior John Gilbert gets ready to take an opponent down. Using proper techniques helped in winning the tougher matches. photo by McGrath

VARSITY	
NEEDHAM	12-63
NORWELL	21-54
SCITUATE	36-42
CANTON	32-44
DEDHAM	6-72
LEXINGTON	18-54
HINGHAM	10-68
NATICK	30-48
FRAMINGHAM	15-63
WALTHAM	30-58
BROOKLINE	30-48
WELLESLEY	35-43
NORWOOD	25-53
NORTH QUINCY	24-54
QUINCY	22-56
WALPOLE	35-43
NEWTON NORTH	27-45
DURFEE	10-68
WALTHAM	19-59
MILTON	36-39

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► Junior Danielle Colintonio gracefully poses during her beam routine. Careful thought and concentration was required to perform a perfect routine. photo by McGrath

† The Girls Varsity Gymnastics team sits patiently as the judge prepares to score performances. Encouraging teammates was a big part of meets. photo by McGrath



Skilled gymnasts knew that ...

On the Mat is Where It's at!

The Gymnastics room goes silent. The judge gives the gymnast the signal to begin. She salutes back, takes a deep breath and begins to run. As both feet hit the spring board fullforce, two hands are placed on the vault. She executes a perfect front hand spring and lands it with a smile on her face.

This year's Girls Varsity Gymnastics team was placed second in the Baystate League after winning only three of their meets, five weeks into the season. Captain Dawn Picewick explained, "This year's team was so full of spirit. We were really competitive when it came to winning our meets." Dawn was one of the two players who went all-around for the meets. This was competing on all four events; bars, floor, beam and vault. Cindy Doran, sophomore, was the second all-around

person. She stated, "I enjoy going all-around because I love all four events. I could never choose between them." Team spirit wasn't the only aspect that kept this team together. Dedication to the sport played a major role with many of the players. Junior Merideth Karll explained, "I found out two weeks into the season that I had tendonitis in my wrist. I still came to every meet and helped with the score keeping."

The J.V. Girls, despite having only a few meets, had a good season. Sophomore, Jen Jolls exclaimed, "We really worked hard this year. The only problem is that some towns don't have a J.V. team so we don't get to have alot of meets." Gymnastics is a sport like any other that requires alot of skill and concentration. Come to a meet or even join the team to see what it's all about. *Denise Brown & Jocelyn Stapleton*



† Sophomore Cindy Doran concentrates on holding her scale on the balance beam. Cindy went all-around for Varsity and was a hard working gymnast. photo by McGrath



▼ Varsity. Back Row: Danielle Colintonio, Elizabeth Locascio, Denise Brown, Dawn Picewick, Christine Fitzgerald, Sue Rogers, and coach Debbie MacDonald. Middle Row: Liana Lucchesi, Marie Cuscianna, Kerry McDermott, and Meredith Karl. Front Row: Jodi Warloz and Cindy Doran. photo by McGrath



▼ J.V. Back Row: Jennifer Jolls, Lisa Greco, Kerry Parsons, Danielle Colintonio, and Melissa Bestick. Front Row: Amy Nelson, Katie Fink, Mary Foster, and Jodi Warloz (not shown Liana Lucchesi). photo by McGrath



Dawn Picewick
Senior
Co-Captain
Dawn was a four year Varsity player. She went all around in her senior year. photo by McGrath



Liana Lucchesi
Sophomore
Liana's skill and ability on the uneven bars were an asset to both the J.V. and Varsity teams. photo by McGrath



VARSITY
WEYMOUTH 112.1-127
BROOKLINE 104-90.5
ACTON 107.4-128
WALPOLE 111.2-108.4
LINCOLN Cancel
NEWTON SO. 117.1-106.3
NEWTON NO. 118.1-89.6
NEEDHAM 130.8-113.7
FRAMINGHAM
114.0-121.7
WELLESLEY 114.1-126.7
WESTFORD 116.5-129.3

JUNIOR VARSITY
THAYER 92-98
FRAMINGHAM
93.2-92.4
WELLESLEY 94.0-98.5
NEWTON 93.5-99.8
NEEDHAM 95.0-160.2

G Y M N A S T I C S



▲ Senior, Dawn Picewick holds a pose as she prepares to dismount. Dawn perfected a front tuck off the end of the beam for her dismount. photo by McGrath



▲ Junior Marie Cuscianna holds a scale on the balance beam. A scale must be held for three seconds on your toe in order to receive credit for it. photo by McGrath



► Sophomore Christine Fitzgerald performs a handstand during her floor routine. Christine was one of the high scorers on floor with her difficult tumbling. photo by McGrath



► Senior Brian Tartaglione performs on the high bar while Coach Seibert carefully watches his performance. photo by McGrath



▼ The two senior co-captains, Brian Tartaglione and Paul Seibert chalk up in preparation for their next event. photo by McGrath



▼ Senior captain Dan Young tries to give a perfect performance on the parallel bars. Dan always worked hard. photo by McGrath



▼ Back Row: Coach Seibert, Mike Toccio, Chris Banker, Vihn Trinh, Angela Nuss, Michelle Storlazzi (mgr) Front Row: Brian Tartaglione, Paul Seibert, Dan Young, Tony Margetis

photo by McGrath



Dan Young
This two-
time
defending
state champ led the team
to another great season.
He also set the B.H.S.
record for scoring in a
meet photo by McGrath



▲ Chris Banker patiently waits for his event while intently watching the competition. photo by McGrath

GYMNASTICS

VARSITY

BURLINGTON 110.2-115.9
REVERE 112.75-79.6
NEWTON SOUTH 118.4-89.7
READING 122.9-95.05
ACTON BOXBOROUGH 114.5-79.6
ANDOVER 118.4-93.5
SALEM N.H. 122.1-117.9
ATTLEBORO 118.4-105.6
LINCOLN/SUDBURY 129.7-110.3
NEWTON NORTH 000.0-000.0



▼ Vinh Trinh performs on the vault during a meet. The vault one of Vinh's favorite events.
photo by McGrath



The boys gymnastics team was instructed to do one thing...

Condition 'til Ya Hurt!

'Till what? Although this phrase sounded strange to many people, it inspired the boys gymnastics team to keep going strong. With determination and commitment, the team proved their success by claiming the 1993 South Sectional Championship. What's the key to their success? "Its determination and a lot of hard work," says senior Vinh Trinh. Senior co-captain Dan Young added, "If you really want to be successful in gymnastics, you have to know that long hours of hard training are necessary." After four straight wins, the team was going strong.

In the fifth meet against Acton

Boxborough, senior Dan Young set the school record for most overall points for an individual gymnast. With a strong senior back up, their experience was a key to the team's success.

The senior captain trio; Dan Young, Paul Seibert, and Brian Tartaglione along with senior Vinh Trinh were all to be commended for guiding their team to victories. Detirmined, the Boys Gymnasatics Team proved that long hours of training really paid off. *Melissa Pope and Leanne Gundel*



▲ Focusing on his floor routine, freshman Mike Toccio, concentrates on performing tumbling exercises. Great concentration and skill was needed to complete a successful routine. photo by McGrath

◀ A lot of strength and concentration was required in the event of rings. Co- captain Paul Seihert demonstrates these skills on the rings. photo by McGrath



GIRLS

NEEDHAM 26-60
NATICK 36-50
NORWOOD 39-47
WELLESLEY 57-29
FRAMINGHAM 17-23
NEWTON NORTH 17-70
BROOKLINE 38-51

BOYS

NEEDHAM 40-46
NATICK 50-36
NORWOOD 37.5-48.5
WELLESLEY 58-28
FRAMINGHAM 29.5-27
NEWTON NORTH
29.5-50.5
BROOKLINE 29-57

Girls Track Back Row: Tara Fallon, Brooke Casanova, Alison Pagnani, Tara Paz, Jill Manning, Michelle Lang, Coach Chute, Amy Patel, Angela DeFrancesco, Jessica Charles, Laurie Nelson. Middle Row: Gretchen Stevens, Sarah Emond, Sheri Bonaglia, Jen Ray, Sarah Stacey, Meghan Rooney, Anna Lipinski, Stephanie Porter, Maureen DeRoma. Front Row: Tracey Keefe, Cheryl Sandison, Jenn McIsaac, Brenda Varasso (C apt), Kerry Hynes (Capt), Julie Morgan, Michelle Lauria, Carolyn Herzog, Erin Short. photo by McGrath



Erin Short
- Senior
A Bay State

Leager in the 2 mile, even though Erin hurt her hip she still joined the team and proved strong in the shot. photo by McGrath



Boys Track Back Row: Coach McGern, Peter Romano, Tony Petreyko, Greg Newman, John Campbell, Kevin Irving, Giuseppe Olivadoti, Steve Tocci, Boe Marini, Trevor Grondin, Paul Alvarado, Coach Catalano. Middle Row: Matt O'Gara, Tim Williams, Pat Murray, Jon McSheffrey, Dennis Galvin, Chris Grugan. First Row: Bill Walsh, James Chang, Hale Hack (Capt), Eddie Gardner (Capt), Shawn Connors (Capt), Mike Cuddy, Rich Chang. photo by McGrath



Eddie Gardner
- Senior

An important 2 miler and a captain, Eddie was always an essential runner to the team. Photo by McGrath



Up and over! Sarah Emond clears the high jump bar without difficulty. It took much practice and dedication to become a skilled high jumper. photo by McGrath

Kerry Hynes and Sarah Stacey keep their pace as they eye the finish line ahead of them. An all out sprint, the 300 was an intense, exciting race. photo by McGrath



Shotputter Tim Williams releases the shotput and lets it fly. Contrary to popular belief, the shotput required not only strength but skill as well. photo by McGrath



← Concentrating on the coming race, Michelle Lang prepares to run the first leg of the relay. The relay often determined the winner of the match. photo by McGrath

↑ James Chang uses all of his speed to catch up with his opponent. Endurance and speed were two very important qualities for a trackie to photo by McGrath



They crouch down, their muscles tense, the gun fires...

...And They're Off!

Cold? What cold? Twenty degree weather, snow covered roads, no one would have been outside in those conditions, right? Wrong! Once again the brave indoor trackies faced the brutal elements in order to participate in the sport they loved. As senior Eddie Gardner put it, "Indoor track is a sport that requires dedication and hard work. Most runners have to practice outside everyday, no matter what the weather is like." Reasons behind the unusual dedication were different. Junior Anna Lipinski revealed, "I like the team unity and the way everyone works together."

While other teams sweated bullets inside, the track teams battled frostbite outside. Through it all they never lost the spirit, suffering through rough workouts with hopes of winning the next race or cutting down on times. Tracey Keefe explained, "Knowing it

will help me do better in my next race is the only thing that gets me to go out in the five below weather." With a limited amount of entries in races, and such large teams, not everyone got to run at all of the meets. Jenn McIsaac remarked, "Even though not everyone on the team scored points this season, they all should be congratulated. It took much of dedication to make it through this season on account of all the snow and below-freezing temperatures." Amazing spirit, dedication, and hard work carried the teams through the season, and faced with the forces of nature, they prevailed. Weather it was rain, sleet, or snow that fell around them, it was just another run in the life of a trackie. *Stephanie Porter, Lindsey McHugh, and Nicole Toma*

↑ Pulling away from his Natick competitor, Tony Petreyko takes the 300. Only his first year running, Tony was an asset to the team. photo by McGrath



The girls and boys varsity basketball teams achieved many wins because of their...

Sharp Shootin'

Shooting for the best, the varsity basketball teams stepped up in order to compete with the competition of the Bay State League. Both teams consisted of dedicated players that strove for success. The teams had practice six days a week for a minimum of two hours. The teams' hard work paid off. Sophomore, Melissa Ruozzi agreed, "We've played together as a team and it reflects on the court. In the game against Wellesley, it was a close score throughout the game. In the last four minutes we pulled away to win by six." The effort the players put into practicing showed up on the scoreboard of every win.

The varsity coaches scouted the top competitive teams. Senior captain, Maryellen McDonagh commented, "

Coach Laneau scouts teams to find out their weaknesses and strong points. He matches up our players with their players of the same ability." Many players agreed that the strategy used for games was effective.

Some of the toughest and most competitive teams they played were Walpole and Norwood. Jordan Grow remarked, "Being a freshman, I haven't had the experience of the upperclassmen. Of the teams I've seen, I'd say Walpole is our best competitor. We lost in double overtime to a good team, but we played great."

The season had its ups and downs, but no matter what, the boys and girls' varsity teams never gave up what they did best, play basketball. *Shelly Lyons, Vicki Adams, Beth King.*

On the move, freshman, Shelly Lyons sets up to run the offense. Moving the ball quickly was a key to breaking down the defense and scoring easy points. photo by McGrath



↑ Sophomore Lenore Herget is testing her layup in practice. Practicing was the most important part to how well the varsity teams played. photo by McGrath

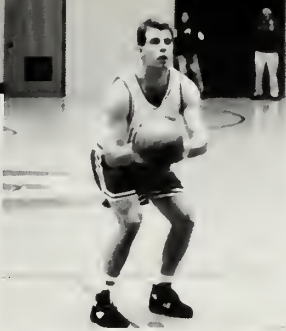
► Sophomore Katie Young drives to the basket for a layup. Driving was a key part to Braintree offense. photo by McGrath



▼ Exploding in the air, Jared Curry jumps for the tip off. Leaping ability was an important factor in the team's success. photo by McGrath



→ Fixed on the basket, P.J. McConville concentrates on his free throw. Games were often won or lost at the foul line. photo by McGrath



▼ Draped over an opponent, Al Sampson and Jimmy Dhillon attempt to strip the ball. Intense defense led to turnovers and easy baskets. photo by McGrath



▼ Boys Varsity Basketball. Top: Taylor Sturtevant, Jimmy Dhillon, Jared P. Curry, Chris Psaros, Mark Shuster, Alan Sampson. Bottom: Coach Crook, Rich Lyons, Mike Lydon, P.J. McConville, Brian Laneau, Greg Dunn. Missing: Ray Walker, Paul Seymour, Jeff Concannon, Tom Wetzel. photo by McGrath



Rich Lyons
Senior
"Rich always saved his best performances for when it was most important." Coach Crook photo by McGrath



▼ Girls Varsity Basketball. Top: Abby Christopher, Allison Sampson, Melissa Ruozzi, Katie Young, Renee Jackson, Ali Corry, Jordan Grow. Bottom: Jody Gardner, Sherrie Jordan, Maryellen McDonough, Amanda Markowski, Shelly Lyons, Lenore Herget. photo by McGrath



Shelly Lyons
Freshman
This freshman guard was the leading scorer on the team as well as one of the top in the league. photo by McGrath



- GIRLS VARIETY**
 NEWTON NO. 67-49;
 44-42
 DEDHAM 69-39
 CANTON 53-38
 FONTBONNE 45-61
 NATICK 73-43; 75-54
 FRAMINGHAM 50-33;
 55-43
 WELLESLEY 49-43
 BROOKLINE 62-34; 48-46
 WALPOLE 45-55
 NORWOOD 39-53
 NEEDHAM 47-63
 MILTON 53-34
 MEDWAY NO GAME
- BOYS VARIETY**
 NEEDHAM 53-50; 69-68
 NORWOOD 55-51; 68-53
 NEWTON NO. 43-71;
 36-42
 DEDHAM 52-45
 BISHOP BRADY 73-33
 WEYMOUTH 54-48
 NATICK 48-73; 63-56
 FRAMINGHAM 70-56;
 57-48
 WELLESLEY 56-41
 BROOKLINE 67-54; 63-42
 WALPOLE 62-54
 MILTON 44-47
 NO. CAMBRIDGE
 CATHOLIC 64-45
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BASKETBALL



► Joe Pendergast dribbles down court. Some found it difficult to dribble the ball and watch what was going on at the same time. photo by McGrath

¶ Driving the lane, Ed Bynarowicz powers the ball to the hoop. Layups and bunnies were crucial to winning games. photo by McGrath



With spirit and determination, the J.V. and Freshman Basketball teams really learned to...

Pump up the Slam!

Whoomp! There they were! Giving up Friday nights was just one of the things the basketball teams had to deal with, along with grueling practices and competitive games this past year.

"When I found out I had to give up my Friday nights, I was a little worried. But I found that playing in a game was just as fun as being out with my friends," explained sophomore Paul Arnstein. Many others felt that watching the games was a good way to spend their Friday nights. "I went to one of the games the boys played, and I had fun watching and cheering them on," stated junior Malissa Hunt.

On the scoring edge of the game, the junior varsity team has "greatly improved since last year," according to

sophomore Mike Moran. Their record shows that the team really worked together and made the shots.

"Our toughest game was against Newton North. They are a really good team, and I know if we can keep this up, we will beat them next year," said junior Colin Burns.

Although the junior varsity team lost to Newton North, the freshman team had what it took to beat their rivals. "I think our team works really well together, and that helps us win the toughest games," replied freshman Avery Sturtevant.

Whether they won or lost, the teams learned many valuable lessons that will last a lifetime. Working as a team and giving their best, the teams kept their spirit up matter what the challenge. They really shot for the stars. *Ali Monac*



▲ Leaping into the air, Phil Psaros and Matt Dorn grab a rebound. Boxing and retrieving defense rebounds were keys to the team's success. photo by McGrath

BOYS BASKETBALL

JUNIOR VARSITY

NEEDHAM 68-60
NORWOOD 51-59
NEWTON NORTH 53-47
DEDHAM 49-45
NATICK 65-42
FRAMINGHAM 61-24
WELLESLEY 52-33
BROOKLINE 61-58
WALPOLE 59-65

FRESHMAN

NEWTON NORTH 53-47
DEDHAM 55-45
NATICK 59-40
FRAMINGHAM 59-29
WELLESLEY 51-39
BROOKLINE 59-44
WALPOLE 62-18
ROCKLAND 40-60
NEWTON NO. 49-40
NORWOOD 62-52
NATICK 55-36
FRAMINGHAM 56-39
NEEDHAM 71-48
MILTON 32-27

▼ Freshmen Back Row: Coach Swanton, Ed Walker, Pete Mitchell, Phil Psaros, Ed Venna, Frank Antonelli, Mike Keogh. Front Row: Ed Bynarowicz, Nick Dunn, Joey Pendergast, Paul O'Keefe, Matt Dorn, Avery Sturtevant. photo by McGrath



Paul O'Keefe Freshman
A great ball handler and a talented shooter, Paul was one of the top scorers on the team. photo by McGrath



▼ Junior Varsity Back Row: Jerry Kenny, Steve Devine, John Marks, Colin Burns, Paul Bakis, Bill Lydon, Coach Sutton Front Row: Randy Seymour, Brandon Fong, Paul Arnstein, Nathan Collins-Jensen, Mike Moran. photo by McGrath



Steve Devine With consistent scoring and good rebounding, Steve led the J.V. team offensively. photo by McGrath



▲ Ed Walker tries to make a layup. Many times making a layup or two would be the deciding factor in winning a game. photo by McGrath



▲ Nick Dunn inboundes the ball at practice. Getting the ball inboundes during a game proved to be a more difficult task than would be expected. photo by McGrath



◀ Scanning the floor for a teammate, Matt Dorn looks to find the perfect pass. As a team leader, the point guard usually directed the offense. photo by McGrath



► Driving to basket for a lay up, freshman Kate McAllister starts off warm ups for her team. Warming up was an important part of a game, since it helped to prevent pulled muscles. photo by McGrath

▼ Moving in for the pass, freshman Lauren Lesogore gets ready to shoot. Strong passes led to a successful season. photo by McGrath



▼ Setting up for a rebound, Lauren Lesogore sets a position under the hoop. Position was key element of the game. photo by McGrath



BASKETBALL

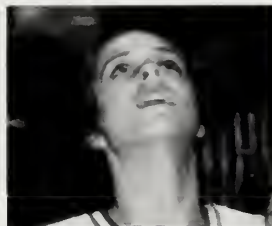
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 DEDHAM 51-28
 NATICK 45-43: 45-43
 FRAMINGHAM 74-6:
 WELLESLEY 28-38
 BROOKLINE 47-11: 53-39
 WALPOLE 49-33
 NORWOOD 38-50
 NEEDHAM 49-27
 MILTON 44-26
 MEDWAY NO GAME

FRESHMAN
 NEWTON NORTH 25-18
 DEDHAM 47-7
 NATICK 33-23: 33-23
 FRAMINGHAM 51-15
 WELLESLEY 44-13
 BROOKLINE 34-33
 WALPOLE 27-29
 ROCKLAND 47-13
 NORWOOD 35-16
 NEEDHAM 31-17
 MILTON 44-29

▼ Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball. Back Row: Kelley Barrows, Alexis Troup, Katherine Kehoe, Danika Muse, Kristen Foley, Malissa Hunt, Mr. Krot. Front Row: Leah McGinn, Jill Watts, Lisa Kimball, Karen O'Brien, Katie McGrath. photo by McGrath



Cathy Keough
 Freshman
 "Cathy is one of our strongest rebounders and a very aggressive defensive player." coach Nick Krot
 photo by McGrath



▼ Girls' Freshman Basketball. Back Row: Jenifer Giblin, Lynne Belyea, Mikalah Carlson, Lauren Lesegor, Lynn Holzmänn. Front Row: Erin Holmes, Hilary Sterling, Kate McAllister, Krista Sweeney. photo by McGrath



Kate McAllister
 Freshman
 Sparkplug of the team,
 Kate has been averaging 8 points per game. She has also led the team in steals.
 photo by McGrath



er
Lifting in the air, Erin Holmes lays up a shot. Athletic ability and concentration were important factors in the team's success. Erin decided to try her hand at school basketball for the first time after having success on the soccer field. photo by McGrath



Buzzer sounding at the end of the second half, to win

She Shoots, She Scores!

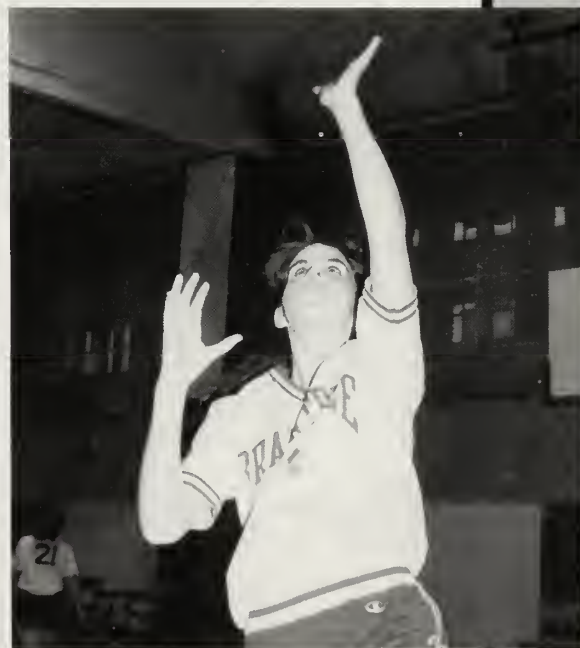
When it came to winning, the Junior Varsity and Freshmen girls basketball teams were on top. The season was a good one for both of the teams. After long hours of practices and scrimages their hard work paid off at game time. Out of the first five games, the JV won four, while the freshman had gone undefeated.

Preseason jitters were put to rest because the team was well prepared as a result of a strenuous preseason schedule. "Everyone on the team really worked hard and the results showed when we got out on the floor," said Kelley Barrows, junior. Both teams learned to depend on each other when the rivals got tougher. "The teams work well under

pressure," added junior Alexis Troup. When they were up against stiff competition the girls' ability shone through. Their playing ability consisted of teamwork and togetherness. "The team really learned to pull together and play as a unit," remarked freshman team member Kate McAllister.

Having a strong bond helped the team weather a change in the coaching staff half way through the season.

A winning season for both teams was the reward received for all the hard work. Members of both teams could bask in the limelight having worked hard and reaped the benefits. *Julie Higgins, Monique Trainor*



▲ Completing a great play, freshman Hillary Sterling drives to hoop with a swift layup. photo by McGrath

◀ Freshman Mikalah Carlson drives to the basket left-handed during warm ups. A player's ability to use both hands was always beneficial. photo by McGrath



¶ Varsity Dance Team. Back Row: Michelle Goggin, Christina Pagnani, Michelle Solimini, Jamie Petiti, Melanie Cheskin, Nitsa Drake. Middle row: Andrea McGrath, Christy Clark, Elaina Parlee, Heather Carlson, Jill McDonough. Front row: Aimee DesLauriers (Co-Cap), Cindy Rush (Co-Cap), Carina Ciolek (Co-Cap), Meghan McSheffrey. (Co-Cap) photo by Mr. Rush



¶ Varsity Cheerleaders. Back Row: Amy Coffey, Kelly Smith, Marisa Federico, Denise Demarzio, Melissa DiTocco, Jen Jones. Middle Row: Sara Anderson, Kim Aitkin, Althea Stephens, Kate Rogan, Jen Akoury. Front Row: Sharon Capobianchi, Tiffany Ryder, Maria Thompson, Jackie Akoury, Amanda Foley, Jocelyn Stapleton. photo by Mr. Rush




¶ Junior Varsity Cheerleaders. Back Row: Jen Welch, April Johnston, Holly Bessant, Cindy Rush, Kerri Blake, Meghan McSheffrey, Andrea Connelly, Christy Clark. Front row: Michelle Goggin, Leahanne Mansfield, Nicole Toma, Jill Froio. photo by Mr. Rush




 **Cindy Rush**
- Senior
She was a great help to her teammates. Her new approach to dancing made the team fun.
photo by Mr. Rush



 **Maria Thompson**
- Senior
She was an excellent captain. Maria was also a dedicated cheerleader and an excellent mount.
photo by Mr. Rush



 **Nicole Toma**
- Junior
She was a dedicated girl who worked well with a team. She always helped others whenever she could. photo by Mr. Rush



¶ Dancing to the song "Jive Bunny", the Dance Team shows off some of their new moves. Half time was always enjoyed by the spectators. photo by Mr. Rush

► During a time out, J.V. cheerleaders are quick to boost up team mate Nicole Toma in a half-extension. A lot of concentration and strength was needed for these stunts. photo by Mr. Rush



¶ Maria Thompson and Kate Rogan are held up in full extensions to add excitement to a time out. Sometimes with no more than twenty seconds, the cheerleaders had to be quick to perform. photo Mr. Rush





→ J.V. cheerleaders Michelle Gogin and Cindy Rush cheer on the basketball players. The spirit of the cheerleaders added to the excitement of the game. photo by Mr. Rush

↑ Varsity cheerleaders perform their halftime routine for the fans. Their difficult stunts were always a crowd pleaser. photo by Mr. Rush



▲ Melanie Cheskin, Meghan McSheffrey and Christina Pagnani pump up the crowd with their exciting half-time dance. The Dance Team really got the crowd excited with their performances. photo by Mr. Rush

A new Dance Team added to the winter Varsity and Junior Varsity cheerleading teams, proved...

Three Times the Charm

Throughout the winter season the J.V. and Varsity cheerleaders, along with the addition of a varsity winter dance team, worked hard at supporting the winter teams and getting the crowd excited. There had always been a Cheer-Dance team during the fall, but a Dance Team during the winter was a new arrival.

The Varsity Cheerleaders practiced for the annual Bay State competition and participated in many school related events. Tri-captain Tiffany Ryder explained, "People don't realize all of the hard work our team puts in. We worked many hours decorating for the homecoming dance, organizing the pep rally, and designing the bulletin board." They cheered at all home basketball games, displaying their complicated dances and difficult mounts including their incredible basket-tosses.

The J.V. cheerleaders cheered at the

J.V. basketball games and performed two crowd appealing dances during half time. The crowd enjoyed their dance to "It's my Thing!", as shown by the crowd's applause. Cheerleader Nicole Toma stated, "Our team worked hard perfecting our dance so we could perform and at the same time have fun." They worked hard and spent much time preparing for the games.

The new varsity dance team spent many long hours creating and practicing new dances to perform. With their creative formations and a wide variety of music, their performance appealed to the crowd. Freshman Melanie Cheskin commented, "I love dancing for the crowd and I love our music." Through their enthusiasm and skill, each of the teams proved to be made up of dedicated, hard-working girls. *Kate Rogan, Jocelyn Stapleton, and Nicole Toma*



The J.V. and Varsity hockey teams gave it their all when...

Going for the Goal

Defense! The major focus in the Varsity and JV hockey games. Players worked on their defensive and offensive moves so that in a game they could handle the pressure and play strategically. JV player Larry Mawn commented "I work very hard in practice to make it much easier in a game situation." JV player Mike Pope mentioned "It's a lot different playing against your friends than when your playing in a real game, when people are counting on you, you feel a lot more pressured."

JV isn't the only team that is preparing and practicing for their games,

Steve Troup stated, "I've worked a little extra with my line-mates, Josh Blinn and Rob Ruscitto in order to make a more productive lines in the league." They have had a few challenges in games, "A big disadvantage this year was coming out for the third period down by a goal or two and knowing we needed to give a little extra effort to win." Varsity player Josh Blinn explained.

Hockey wasn't a one man game, it took a group effort to even come close to winning a game. And that is why the hockey players take a little more time and effort to help one another out. *Jennifer Bell, Lynne Belyea and John Gilbert.*

† Fighting for positioning, senior Jay Ferguson muscled his way through the opposing defense. photo by McGrath



† Sophomore Tony Margetis skates hard to receive a pass. Players had to be in good physical condition to keep up with the pace. photo by McGrath

— Hard work! Junior Billy Cushing hoxes out his opponent as he prepares to receive a pass in front of Hingham's net. photo by McGrath



▼ Caught in the act! Senior Colin Lynch puts a vicious croll check on the opponents. photo by McGrath



► Game time! Sophomore John Dailey warms up for the game. Warm-ups were important to prevent injury. photo by McGrath

▼ Shot...save! Junior Brian Andrade dives on a bouncing puck. Being a goalie required agility. photo by McGrath



▼ J.V. Hockey. Top: Tony Margetis, Rob Hull, Brian Drew, Pete McSorley, Sean Dailey, Colin Lynch, John Dailey, Steve Sampson, John Morris. Bottom: George Lekkas, Rich Lyman, Dan Bjarkman, David Albrech, Bryan Andrade, Larry Mawn, Mike Pope, Kenny Murphy. photo by McGrath



▼ Varsity Hockey. Top: Sean Dailey, Kenny Murphy, Chris Grant, Jason Ferguson, Dave Dyer, Louis Campanele, Josh Blinn, Tony Margetis, Greg Kelly, John Dailey, Sean McConville. Bottom: Jim Farrenkopf, Greg Googins, Steve Troup, Brandan Candura, Rob Perniola, Adam Umbro, Rob Rusutto, Steve Littlewood. photo by McGrath



Colin Lynch
- Senior
Colin,
and Peter
McSorley
and Brian Drew worked
very hard on offense.
Tony Margettis and
John Dailey were good
on defense. photo by McGrath



Adam Umbro
- Senior
This co-cap-
tain was mag-
nificent in goal all year
round. He was the back-
bone for many victories and
kept his team close
throughout many games.
photo by McGrath

VARSITY	
MILTON 1-3:	1-11
NEWTON NORTH 3-3:	4-1
WELLESLEY 4-1:	2-3
NEEDHAM 5-2:	5-1
DEDHAM 3-0:	3-6
WALPOLE 2-5:	4-7
NATICK 6-9:	
FRAMINGHAM 3-6:	1-13
NORWOOD 1-6:	1-1
BROOKLINE 11-2:	6-3
HOCKEY	
JUNIOR VARSITY	
MILTON 2-4	
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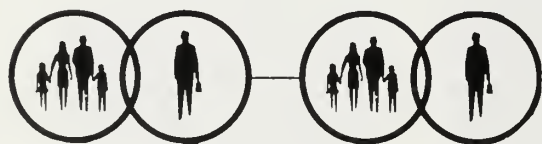
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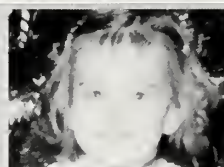
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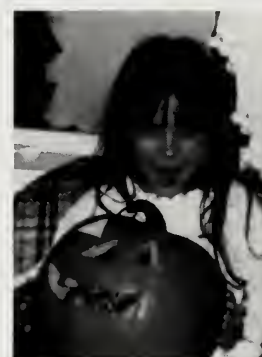


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Shawn #77 -
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life's Blue team. But, re-
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along the way.
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 Dad (the old laborer)



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stars and success
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You are our pride and joy.

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You did it!**

**We are so proud of you. May
all your dreams come true
because the best is
yet to come.**

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DAD,
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**You are very special
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**Love,
Your family.**



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We are so very proud of you!

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**We are all proud of you.
May all your dreams come
true.**

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Mom, Dad, and Mike**



Jill,

**You make us proud to be your
parents. Stay as sweet as you are
now and all your dreams will come
true.**

Love Mom + Dad



***Congratulations
and warmest
wishes to the won-
derful class of
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Ameera,

***You've never let anything
stand in your way.***

Love,

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Congratulations Efie! You have made us so proud. Lot's of luck and success in the future.

Love always,
Mom, Dad, Angela, and Poppi.

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Love,
Mom + Dad



Jennifer, where have the years gone? We've always been so proud of you and you fill our hearts with Joy. Good luck in the coming years and remember we're always here for you. We love you!

Mom, Dad, and Jason



May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back.

**Love Mom, Dad,
Brian, and Erin**



**We loved you then,
We love you now,
We love you always.**

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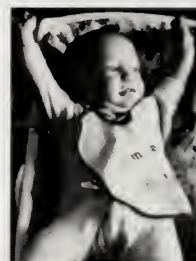
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 We're proud of you. Good
 luck "forever Red" & "look-
 ing for adventure."



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Erin,
 It has been quite
 a ride from Terre
 Haute, Indiana
 to the Braintree
 High Class of
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 for the memo-
 ries!



Congratulations!

Love Mom, Dad,
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Nancy,
 Embrace the future with
 all its challenges. We be-
 lieve in you.

Love,
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Tara,
 Congratulations! on a great
 four years in highschool.

Love,
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proud of you!**

*Love,
Mom,
Heather,
Karen,
and
Craig*



*Charlotte,
We are so very proud of
the beautiful person
you are.
Congratulations!*



*Love,
Mom
&
Dad*

**Mary and Tricia,
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it all, both of you have made us very proud!
Congratulations!**



*Love
Mom, Dad,
Carolyn,
Ellen,
Paul, and
Katie*





Graduation Time. It seems like only yesterday Dad was putting you on the bus for Kindergarten.

Susann, you are a very special person and a wonderful daughter. We're so proud of you.

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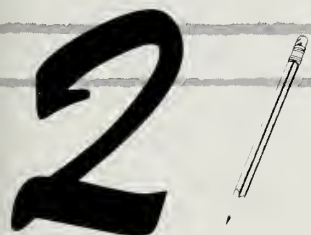


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Applauding enthusiastically, Kristen Draper watches on as the announcements for Homecoming King and Queen are made. photo by McGrath



Modeling as the Statue of Liberty for her studio art class, Charissa Coffey tries to steady her flaming torch of yarn after twenty torturous minutes. Dressing in costume lent interest and vitality to figure drawing. photo by J. Carroll

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Gleefully grinning on the final deadline date, senior staffer Hale Hack shows his relief and excitement that the long haul was over. Student enthusiasm over the book's progress ensured its success. photo by McGrath



Dressed as traditional American characters, Ali Monac and Mike Moran wave to the crowd from the sophomore class float. photo by McGrath

Kate McDonough, Erin Downing, and Nora Nee head for the bleachers on an incredibly hot morning. The annual class photo was a favorite event for future seniors. photo by R. Preuss



► Dressed in old Spanish dress at Homecoming are Kerry McDermott and Merri Karll. photo by McGrath



▲ Proudly displaying an international map, Melissa Ruozzi and Phil Devoe represent the International Awareness Club. Both school and town groups focused programs on multicultural appreciation. photo by McGrath

▲ Rushing an opponent, Billy Cushing prepares to steal the puck. Intensity and aggressiveness were a key to winning a hockey game. photo by McGrath



▲ Pushing his body to its limit, Kevin Nee finishes the last of his race. Athletes consistently gave all they had to come home with a win. photo by McGrath



▲ Supplying entertainment during a football game, the band pours their souls into "Louie, Louie." The band played at every home game, which helped to draw big crowds. photo by C. Higgins





BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD

The year proved to be a successful one for the Wamps. Sports teams triumphed in their divisions, academics strengthened, and clubs heightened their horizons.

Critics of Mr. Wassel were silenced after his successful first year. Most of Mr. Wassel's policies were adopted and found to be successful, especially detention for students who cut classes.

Ms. Spencer held her own as a strong disciplinarian and managed House One successfully.

The first school dance, sponsored by the student council, was a success. The turn out at the dance was great, and another dance was planned for the future.

Students enjoyed their multiple days off due to snow storms, but cringed because school was extended another week for make up days. The Town Hall was flooded with phone calls about the poor snow plowing, which forced Doctor Kurzberg to cancel school numerous times.

While Braintree remained relatively tranquil, violence in nearby urban communities rose dramatically. A shooting at a rollerskating rink in Boston caught the attention of many town residents, encouraging them to investigate ways of preventing the spread of violence into their community.

The Brady Bill, a bill calling for a five day waiting period before a person could purchase a hand gun, was passed by the House of Representatives. Mrs. Brady came to Boston in January to talk about violence and gun control.

The school and the community looked back, drawing upon basic values. They improved the quality of education and life and by strengthening their commitment to education and by encouraging the appreciation of different cultures. *Coleen Flynn*

— College preparation starts early, and Dan Sparrow is ahead of the game. Some freshman were making college decisions before seniors had started theirs. photo by McGrath

! Go Wamps! School spirit was seen everywhere in the building, thanks to the great decorating job done by the cheerleaders. photo by C. Higgins





▲ "Raindrops are falling on my head." Waiting for raindrops are Kerri Sherlock, Ali Monac, Julie Higgins, and Carol McIntyre. photo by C. Higgins



▲ Dancing the night away at the junior prom, Kristen Foley and Sherri Jordan's smile never seem to fade. Proms were seen as one of the happiest nights of students' lives. photo by McGrath



▲ Pansing to celebrate their victories, seniors Gina Testa and Melissa Quinn relax after the final match.





Most Sophisticated

Jenn Wood



Mike Irving



Best Smile

Colin Lynch and Katie Riley



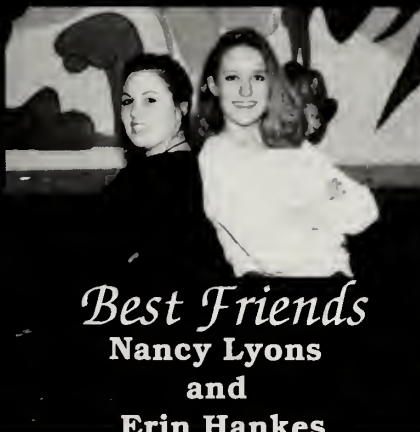
Best Dressed

**Kerri Norton
and
Brian Kelly**



Most Unique

Brenda Varrasso and Keith Higgins



Best Friends

**Nancy Lyons
and
Erin Hanks**



Shyest

Steve Ivens and Jill Spera

1994

Senior Superlatives



Class Spirit

Abby Christopher
and
Ben Sigel



Most Likely To Succeed

Kerry Hynes and Rich Chang



Most Musical

Mike Moran and Ameera Hassan



Best Teachers

Mrs. Cosgrove

Mr. Vafides



Best Hair

Jim Koopman and Marisa Agapito



Friendliest

**Dan Birolini
and
Aimee DesLauries**



Cutest Couple

Charlie Greco and Carina Ciolek



Most Athletic

Greg Googins and Amanda Markowski



Most Artistic

Mark Storms and Amy McLeod



Teacher's Pet

Dan Young and Ann Albrecht



Class Flirt

Dawn Picewick and Rich Lyons



Class Clown

**Juliette Heslam
and
Tim Williams**



Best Friends

**Brian Tartaglione
and
Paul Seibert**

Colophon

Volume 52 of the Wampatuck was published in a limited edition of 500 copies, with pages in the spring book and an additional 40 page magazine that was delivered in the fall. Supplement covered activities and events that occurred after the January deadline. The were printed by Herff Jones, 525 Boyds School Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325.

The edition cost approximately \$29,000 to publish and contained 47 pages of color. dual copies were sold for \$44 prior to November 1. Name stamping was available at of \$3.00 per book.

The cover was designed by Eric Petitti. The yearbook staff helped design the raphy. The cover was printed in a four-color litho process, laminated, and then foil-ed.

The book was produced using Aldus Pagemaker 4.2 on a variety of MacIntosh s and an Apple Personal LaserWriter. All copy was done using Macwrite II. Graphs generated by the SuperPaint program and submitted as artwork by various members of ff. Typography was produced exclusively in the times font. Headlines were all created derbund Typestyler 1.01.

Portrait photography was handled by McGrath studios, 1 Perkins Ave., Brockton, 2401. McGrath studios also shot candid photos for clubs and organizations. Yearbook s, Chris Higgins, Jamie Davis, and photo editor, Brendan Kane did most of the ing candid photography that appeared in the book.

Coleen Flynn, copy editor; Erin Hanks, Jen Early production editors; and Nancy layout editor acted as co-editors in chief. Liz Mawn was responsible for business ement and raising revenue respectively.

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